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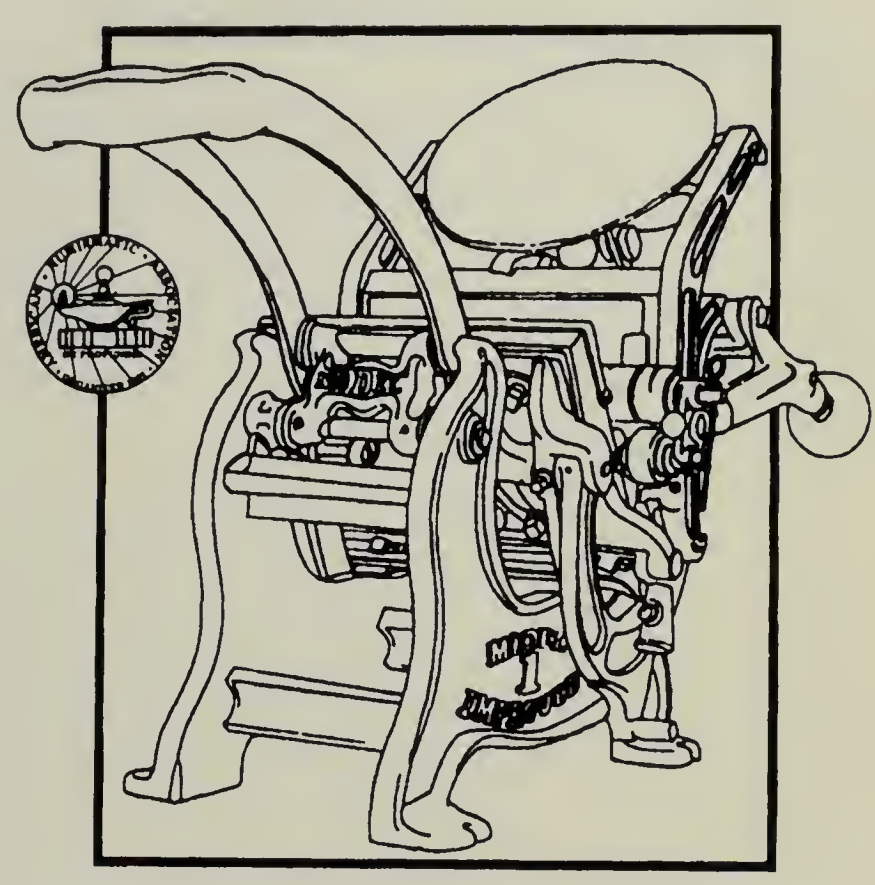

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Presidential Commentary

Kevin Foley

As I write this, nominations are about to close for those who will be seeking office in our Spring elections. Indications are that we will have a full slate of candidates for the Board, affording the members a choice of individuals and their differing philosophies. In each election only a handful of votes separate the last three or four successful Board candidates from the top several unsuccessful aspirants. In some instances in the past less than ten votes have made the difference between being elected or not, so it is important for the members to participate in the election.

The discussions I've had with the leadership of the Professional Numismatists Guild to establish a revised PNG Day format have been concluded. It is my sincere belief that the new structure which will be implemented for the first time at Kansas City will improve the convention for **all** participants.

First, PNG members will now have a closed setup for their members only on Wednesday evening to accommodate their dealer to dealer wholesale transactions. On Thursday, the traditional PNG Day, admission will be strictly by invitation only. One of the major complaints from dealers not participating in PNG Day has been the feeling that one favored group was, in effect, given "first shot" at the public trade. Adherence to the invitation system will ensure that this is not the case and that booth holders at PNG Day will be doing business with their own previous customers who are at the event in response to a written invitation from the PNG member.

For dealers and assistants at the CSNS convention proper their dealer ribbon will serve as the functional equivalent of a PNG Day invitation so that they will have the opportunity to do business with their colleagues who are PNG members.

An additional core complaint about the previous structure of PNG Day has been the feeling of non-PNG Members that the length of PNG Day necessarily resulted in a setup night, dealer to dealer bourse on Thursday so truncated in length as to be virtually useless. PNG Day will now go to a one-way traffic pattern at 2 P.M. on Thursday afternoon, with only PNG booth holders and CSNS convention proper dealer ribbon wearers permitted in the room after 2:30 P.M. At 3:00 P.M. the dealer setup day for the balance of the convention will open and will run until 9:00 P.M., thus giving a full six hours for dealer to dealer transactions. As in the past, the public hours for the CSNS convention will begin on Friday morning.

I know that many members, frankly myself included, felt some months ago that PNG Day should be discontinued. I believe now, however, that the revised structure of PNG Day will in fact be an asset to the CSNS Convention with benefits to both the PNG members, the regular convention booth holders and the collector attendees that they would not have had in the absence of this reform. Both dealer groups will now have additional time for their dealer to dealer business. The dealers at the CSNS convention proper will now have the assurance that the admission by invitation only system on PNG Day will ensure that this special day is what it was originally intended to be—a day for the PNG members to meet and do business with the customers they specifically attracted to come in response to a written invitation. The collectors will benefit because both dealer groups will now have the time to be more attentive to retail customer needs as a result of the expanded dealer to dealer hours.

In many disagreements people are prone to look for a winner and a loser. In this instance I feel **all** the parties have in fact gained and that is the real victory.

Kevin Foley

President

A Message from the Secretary

Jerry Lebo

Dues notices are coming at you, unless you're a life member. In fact, they may already have arrived by the time you read this.

Juniors born in 1977 become adult members this year. They turned 18 during the past year, which makes them eligible for "regular" membership. They also gain the right to vote in our biennial elections.

The dues notices also include a return envelope. This is an experiment to determine if a return envelope helps spur dues payments a little better than in the past.

Also enclosed, as usual, will be a new membership card. Remember, it's valid only after your dues are paid. This is done to save some postage expenses. Incidentally, adult members have the option of either regular or associate membership. The only difference is that associate members don't receive our quarterly publication, the Centinel. Another option is life membership. That way, you can make me stop sending you dues notices.

Meanwhile, election ballots will be sent during February to all eligible voting members (only juniors are ineligible.) Read the instructions carefully so as not to void all or part of your ballot. You'll find campaign statements from the candidates elsewhere in this issue. Our bylaws state that only candidates who accept nomination are eligible for office. That precludes having space for write-in votes on the ballot.

Congratulations to CSNS Governor Brian Fanton for his appointment as chairman of the Education Committee for the American Numismatic Association.

Because of the long lead time involved in publishing the *Centinel*, this is the first opportunity to report the highlights of our board meeting Sept. 15-16 at Fort Mitchell, Ky. The minutes of the meeting appear elsewhere in this issue.

A bid from Heritage Numismatic Auctions was accepted. Heritage will continue to be our official spring convention auctioneer at least through 1999.

The board approved guidelines for our adult scholarship to the summer ANA seminar. We've had junior guidelines in place but this is the first time the adult criteria has been put on paper. This *Centinel* contains both sets of rules. Why not apply? These scholarships are worth hundreds of dollars.

Like the adult scholarship criteria, two other things that have been "understood" but not committed to paper are now down in writing. One is a working budget. Board member Marv Mericle spent many hours preparing this spending program, which is pretty much in line with our outlays of the past several years. The other item is the specific duties of the board members. These have been taken for granted in the past. Now there's something in the bylaws that spells out these duties.

The governing board has the authority to amend the bylaws except for items dealing with the voting rights of the membership. These amendments have to be approved by the members present and voting during the annual general membership meeting. Hopefully (my personal opinion) there will be but one more such oral vote. Members will be asked at the Kansas City convention this April to change the procedure to a written ballot. That way, all members will have a chance to vote; not just those attending the convention.

Changes in the PNG Day arrangement have pretty much been completed. As you know, there was heavy sentiment to do away with PNG Day entirely. A good deal of that

opposition came from non-PNG dealers who want more bourse set-up time - not just two hours on Thursday evening following PNG Day.

Briefly, here's the new deal: PNG dealers will set up Wednesday evening, then conduct PNG Day on Thursday by invitation only. No public. Other dealers who have booths for the regular CSNS convention are automatically invited. PNG Day ends at 2:30 p.m., followed by regular bourse set-up from 3 to 9 p.m.

One of the problems we have every year is that of making sure everybody with a dealer badge is also a member of CSNS. All names of booth personnel listed on the bourse application are sent to the secretary, who in turn cross checks the membership roster. Non-members are notified by mail they need to join and are sent a membership application. Some respond with a check. Others don't. In fact, there are too many of the don'ts.

Consequently, the board has imposed a $25 fee for each such membership application that has to be processed at the convention registration booth. That's in addition to the $8 dues. That's also in addition to the $50 late fee charged for any change in booth personnel made during the two weeks preceding the convention. The object of these late charges is not to enhance our treasury but to streamline a dealer check-in process that sometimes gets a bit clogged.

Jerry Lebo
Secretary

CSNS Board Meeting Minutes

Sept. 15-16, Fort Mitchell, Ky.

President Kevin Foley called the meeting to order at 9 a.m., Sept. 15. Roll call showed all members present except John Wilson, Ron Horstman, Allen Karn, Pete Phillips, Jim and Karen Jach (all excused), Kurt Krueger (not excused) and Bill Mross (tardy.)

A moment of silence was observed for deceased members.

President Foley noted Allen Karn suffered a stroke two days earlier and was hospitalized in Columbus, Ohio.

Paul Padget motioned and Brian Fanton seconded that the minutes of the spring meeting in Milwaukee be accepted. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jerry Lebo noted we are paying taxes on two treasury notes rather than having a large tax bite when they mature. Florence Schook motioned and Ray Lockwood seconded the treasurer's report be accepted. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Lebo presented a membership breakdown and noted that several hundred names are purged annually, mostly as non-renewals, and that the dealer mailing list was below 330. He said correspondence received included a thank you note from the Byron Reed Historical Society of Omaha, Neb., for a $500 donation from CSNS.

Committee Reports:

Finance and Treasury Oversight: Harry Tileston said there are no problems. He noted the life membership accounts are overfunded at approximately $68,000; that $48,000 had been paid into them over the years but no interest is supposed to accrue.

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CSNS Board Meeting Minutes

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Editors: In the absence of the editors, Lebo noted there had been a major increase in the printing costs for the Centinel, amounting to as much as $600 per issue. Increased newsprint costs were blamed. He said that based on a new estimate from the current printer and bids from two other printers, the increased expenses probably can be held to $300 per issue in the future. A decision on which company should print the Centinel was left up to the editors.

Convention Coordinator: Paul Padget reported he is still studying Columbus, Ohio, for a future convention. Paul said the board should resolve ground rules for an individual to sponsor the spring convention. Leon Thornton noted Columbus convention facilities are expensive. Following a discussion, President Foley appointed Padget and Marv Mericle to develop guidelines dealing with individual sponsorships.

Scholarships: Florence Schook said the CSNS junior scholarship recipient, Vincent Shimkus of Big Rock, Ill., attended the ANA summer seminar and fit in well with other juniors. She said she has a possible junior candidate to send to ANA next year. Roger Winkelhake presented the revised criteria for the adult scholarship and motioned it be accepted. Schook seconded. Approved.

Convention Manual Revision: Jerry Lebo proposed an addition requiring the show finance officer be bonded and that income be placed in insured bank accounts. So motioned by Leon Thornton and seconded by Brian Fanton. Approved.

The Milwaukee convention report was accepted.

PNG Day: President Foley said the proposed revised format had been presented to the Professional Numismatists Guild. One issue remained unresolved and involved having invitations available at the registration area for people who forget to bring theirs. After discussion, Leon Thornton motioned and Jim Kaczor seconded that PNG Day attendance be by invitation only and that invitations not be available at the convention center. Defeated 3-6.

Paul Padget motioned and Jim Kaczor seconded that attendance be by invitation only; that if a guest forgets an invitation, the inviting dealer will be paged and asked to bring an invitation to the registration area. Approved 9-1.

Other provisions of proposed agreement include: PNG dealers to set up Wednesday night; PNG Day on Thursday by invitation only with other CSNS tabled dealers among those invited; PNG Day ends at 2:30 p.m. with regular show set up from 3 to 9 p.m.

Roger Winkelhake motioned and Paul Padget seconded that the board accept the bid of Heritage Numismatic Auctions to be the official spring convention auctioneer for three years (1997-99). Approved. President Foley to sign the agreement.

It was reported the editors had purchased a fax machine for $391.

The final report on the 1989 medal series was presented by the secretary, who noted 24 silver proofs were still available for awards, etc.

The secretary reported he now has a laser jet printer, as earlier authorized by the board.

At the secretary's suggestion, Leon Thornton motioned and Paul Padget seconded that a $25 late charge be assessed, in addition to dues, for non-members seeking dealer credentials at the spring convention. Approved. (Note: Tabled personnel must be members of the society. The new late charge applies only to individuals who fail to join

prior to the convention. It also is in addition to the $50 late charge assessed for any changes in booth personnel during the two weeks prior to the convention.)

The secretary reported on behalf of General Chairman Howard Linville that all was proceeding with the 1997 spring convention at Indianapolis. Because of limited meeting room availability at the convention center, the CSNS board meetings might have to be conducted in the host hotel.

Brian Fanton said an invitation might be forthcoming for a fall convention Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in 1998 or 1999.

The board discussed an ongoing campaign to boycott U.S. Mint commemorative coin programs. Legal Counsel Bill Mross questioned the wisdom of a tax exempt organization endorsing such an effort. No action was taken.

Mross noted in a memo that the name of the society, its magazine and logo are protected by copyright registration.

Secretary noted the bylaws require the call for nominations be published in the summer, not the fall, issue of the Centinel. He suggested money could be saved by having a committee count election ballots, rather than an accounting firm, and by not including postage on envelopes used to return ballots. No motion made. The secretary also suggested serial numbering the ballots rather than the envelopes. No motion made.

The question of whether convention attendees must wear identification was discussed. The convention manual requires such identification. No action taken.

Marv Mericle motioned and Harry Tileston seconded that the convention security room be open one day before the start of the regular convention until one hour after the start of dealer set-up. (usually Wednesday and Thursday.) Approved.

Leon Thornton motioned and Brian Fanton seconded that the legal counsel draft an amendment to the bylaws that requires amendments involving the voting rights of members be submitted to a written ballot. Approved. (Currently an oral vote is taken at the annual general membership meeting.)

(Meeting recessed, reconvened Saturday morning.)

Legal Counsel Bill Mross presented an amendment to the bylaws to identify duties of officers. Florence Schook motioned and Harry Tileston seconded the amendment be accepted. Approved. Mross to add approved duties for governors and send to secretary for publication.

Marv Mericle presented a proposed budget in detail. He noted there is always the potential for an annual deficit of $10,000 because of variables in income. He said a return to a two-shows-per-year format should help increase income. President Foley said the budget presentation is a reasonable guideline for the society's operation and that any deviation should first be approved by the board.

Secretary Lebo noted there is no provision for election ballot write-in votes and consequently no space will be provided for them.

There was additional discussion about having an individual as a show sponsor. Paul Padget said he and Marv Mericle will draft rules dealing with sponsorships. Marv said a detailed budget should be submitted by a sponsor. Leon Thornton noted that things boil down to three possibilities: club sponsor, individual sponsor or CSNS itself as a sponsor.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Lebo, Secretary-Treasurer

Bylaws Amendment Approved

The CSNS Board of Governors at its fall meeting approved an addition to the bylaws that outlines the duties of the officers. The following is how Article II, Section 3, now reads:

The officers shall serve without compensation save as otherwise provided herein. They shall have the following usual duties:

PRESIDENT: The president shall have general supervision over all the affairs of the society. His duties shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

a. To preside at all meetings of the society;

b. To call meetings of the governing board and preside at them;

c. To appoint all committee chairmen that may be necessary to achieve the objectives of the society, and to remove them at will;

d. To serve as spokesman for the society in all dealings with outside individuals, groups or media.

VICE PRESIDENT: The duties of the vice president shall be:

a. To assist the president, at his request, in the discharge of his duties;

b. To act in the place of the president, in the event of the latter's absence or disability;

c. To succeed to the society's presidency in the event of the death or resignation of the incumbent.

SECRETARY-TREASURER: The duties of the secretary-treasurer shall be:

a. To keep a true record of the transactions of the society and to preserve all documents pertaining to his office;

b. To act as secretary to the governing board and to keep a true record of its proceedings;

c. To handle all correspondence relating to society matters;

d. To receive all funds, regardless of their source, due the society;

e. To pay out monies in accordance with governing board action or vote of the society's membership;

f. To invest society funds consistent with governing board direction;

g. To prepare both an accounting for all monies received and disbursed during each fiscal year and a full and final report of all matters pertaining to his office for the like period. These shall be furnished to the president for sharing with the membership of the society.

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT: The duties of the Immediate Past President shall be:

a. To serve upon such committees as he shall be appointed to by the incumbent president;

b. To cast votes upon the several matters presented to the Board for action.

GOVERNORS: The duties of a Governor shall be:

a. To serve upon such committees as he shall be appointed to by the incumbent president;

b. To cast votes upon the several matters presented to the Board for action.

In Memoriam

The Board and membership of the Society join in extending our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the following member who passed away recently.

R 6318 Michael J. Druck . . . . . .New York, NY

Membership Applications

The persons named below have applied for membership in the Society. Each applicant will become a member in 30 days, unless a written objection to his or her application is received by the Secretary-Treasurer prior to that date.

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7252	Joseph J. Tranchita	Princeton, IL
7253	Larry Rickert	Appleton, WI
7254	Garrison Arey	Overland Park, KS
7255	Don W. Jensen	Humboldt, IA

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

591	Kermit Wasmer	Watseka, IL

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Les Durant . . . . . .Detroit, MI
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Michael Oyster . . . . . .Dalls, TX
Brad Ragan . . . . . .Flushing, NY

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Thom Dixon . . . . . .Indianapolis IN
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Kenneth Hochreiter . . . . . .Indianapolis IN
Kirk V. Kelly . . . . . .Greenville SC
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Frank Osdoba . . . . . .Spirit Lake IA
James F. Sunderland . . . . . .Calumet City IL
Mitch Utz . . . . . .Birmingham AL
John W. Wilson . . . . . .Milwaukee WI
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Gary Sturtridge . . . . . .Tonganoxie KS
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James J. Waldorf . . . . . .Glendale CA
Larry Wayne Ward . . . . . .Cape Girardeau MO

1966 (30 years)

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1961 (35 years)

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A Perspective on the Byron Reed Collection

by Robert M. Vassell

The people of Omaha own a world class collection worth in excess of $12 million that we are in danger of losing. That's the Byron Reed collection of rare numismatica and bibliographia. Lately, Omaha has gained a remarkable tropical rainforest and salt water aquarium as important additions to the Henry Doorly Zoo. Naturally, these accomplishments did not come about overnight or with little planning. They were the result of visionary thinking by people who planned for present and future generations. Thinking ahead, and with future generations of Omahans in mind, in 1891 Omaha businessman and philanthropist Byron Reed willed his "private library of books, documents, manuscripts, pamphlets, files of newspapers and other periodicals, autographs, and literary relics together with (his) collection of coins, medals, paper money, bonds, drafts and currency and the cases in which they are contained" to be "forever ... displayed" for the benefit of the public.

Reed also willed "a lot of land at the South East Corner of Harney and Nineteenth Streets." On this lot would be built the public library that would house and display his collection. The library was to be managed, in the words of Reed's will, "wholly in the interest and for the benefit of the public."

Thousands viewed the collection in the ornate old library for two-thirds of the 20th century until several robbery attempts in the 1960s caused the library board to remove the collection from this building and place it in storage until the mid 1980s when a small percentage of the collection went on display at the Western Heritage Museum, and the remainder in storage at the museum.

In the interim, between moving the collection from its former location at 19th and Harney and ultimately placing it in the Western Heritage Museum, the Omaha City Council and Mayor seriously considered an offer of $1 million for the entire collection. Led by the Byron Reed Historical Society and the Omaha Coin Club, a strong effort was made to stop the sale. The Mayor and Council re-considered and the collection was saved. This was in the early 1970s.

The proceeds of the sale of the collection would have helped to finance the construction of the W. Dale Clark Library downtown. Other means were found to build the new library and the Reed collection appeared safe – until 1994 came.

The Western Heritage Museum announced a dramatic re-development plan that was endorsed by the Mayor, and City Hall earmarked $3 million in start-up funds for the redevelopment project. The $3 million would come from selling part of the Reed collection.

The building housing the museum is the former Union Pacific Station, and is an example of the art-deco style. The building and the land upon which it is situated is owned by the City of Omaha.

In September, 1994 five Council members voted to sell enough of the collection to net the $3 million for the museum project. One voted against the sale and another abstained. The mayor suggested that some of the "top," some of the "middle," and some of the "lower" items, in terms of value, be sold. Auction companies would be asked to submit proposals and to bid on conducting the sale.

Opposition to the sale came forth from the general public, numismatists, and manuscript collectors long before the matter came to a vote in the City Council chambers. Although those in opposition to the sale, including the Byron Reed Historical Society, did not succeed in blocking the sale when the City Council cast their fateful vote, the effort to stop the sale continues.

An Omaha attorney filed suit in county court to quash the sale, but was denied standing by the judge and his suit was dismissed.

Despite that setback, the Byron Reed Historical Society has launched a fund drive to raise the needed money to carry on the litigation. The Society is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization, with the 501C3 designation. Contributions may be sent to the Society at P.O. Box 241694, Omaha, NE 68124-1694.

Unless the sale is stopped, Byron Reed's generous bequest to the public is in jeopardy of being lost, for it is very unlikely that this sale will be the last sale, but will be the beginning of the end of Mr. Reed's collection.

Those who scoff at the Reed treasure as being "just a coin collection" do not know what they are talking about. Rather, this fascinating assemblage of history, referred to as an "accumulation" by some, contains some very significant items.

In 1924, Omaha librarian Edith Tobbitt announced that Reed's collection numbered (at that time) 6,869 coins, 1,280 medals, 832 autographs, 836 books, 3,243 pamphlets, 615 confederate notes, and 2,136 other bank notes. A cataloging process carried out in the 1960s revealed that some of the numismatic properties were missing. Certainly, today, in the 1990s, almost 20 years after another cataloging procedure was initiated in the 1970s, it would be prudent to carry out a complete audit of the entire collection to determine exactly what remains and in what condition this material is to be found.

To me, working on the Reed collection in the 1970s was a great honor, and holding the Parmalee specimen of the Class One 1804 Draped Bust silver dollar – very carefully and "numismatically correct" – albeit briefly, was certainly a rare privilege, so, too, was it a privilege to inventory the Papal medals, to see his extensive U.S. patterns, to review the siege pieces and Swedish plate money, and to examine Byron Reed's own numismatic ledgers. I was afforded the opportunity to reach through the veil of years and make contact with past cultures through their coins and medals. This is a legacy that must not be used as if it were a checking account!

Referring to earlier catalogues, Reed's legacy to us contains, along with other highly important items, the following: autographs of 50 of the 56 signers of The Declaration of Independence, including such Revolutionary War era luminaries as Samuel Adams, Benjamin Franklin, John Hancock, Thomas Jefferson, Robert Treat Paine, Benjamin Rush, and John Witherspoon, plus the autographs of Aaron Burr, Benedict Arnold, Kasimierz Pulaski, and Anthony Wayne. There is also the Journal (log book) of George Washington's Fishery and Distillery. According to legend, some of the early American (18th Century) silver coins in the collection came from Martha Washington's silver service, which was melted down to provide that precious metal for part of our nascent country's early coinage.

There is also Thomas Paine's *Common Sense* (addressed to the inhabitants of America, 1791) and *The Federalist* (on the new constitution written in 1788 by Hamilton, Madison, and Jay, pub. 1818), plus a missive from Washington to Patrick Henry. Letters abound! They were signed by Daniel Webster, John J. Audubon, Franz Liszt, Jenny Lind, Santa Anna, Robespierre, Charles Dickens, Mark Twain, William Seward, and many others. Six letters by the noted abolitionist John Brown talk about his crops, cattle, health, and one discusses plans that led to Brown and his men seizing Harper's Ferry, Virginia.

Kings, presidents, governors, mayors and other notables affixed their signatures to documents that range widely in subject matter, from authorization for the trial of Charles I of England to the warrant for his death on the executioner's block, plus subsequent authorization for the trail of those who conspired to have Charles I killed.

On file is Napoleon's oath of obedience to the French Republic. An official poster offers a reward of $100,000 for the capture of the assassins of President Lincoln. A poster proclaims the opening of the Union Pacific railroad and invites immigrants to travel its length to California. Jesse Low's signature may be found on Omaha City bank notes, and there are documents signed by Omaha mayors Armstrong, Bemis, Boyd, Briggs, Brown, Gilmore, Kennedy, and Moore. Jesse Lowe was the first Mayor of Omaha. Vintage newspapers such as the *Omaha Weekly Herald* (1867-1888) *Omaha Weekly Bee* (1873-1890, not all dates); *Omaha Evening News*, *Omaha Daily Union* , *Omaha Dispatch, Omaha Evening Telegram, Omaha Evening Times,* all with 1880s dates, some in fragile condition.

Explorers are represented, with Capt. Howard Stansbury's maps of The Great Salt Lake, surveyed in 1849 and 1850; George Vancouver's *Voyages of Discovery to the North Pacific Ocean and Round the World* (1798); Alexander Mackenzie's *Voyages from Montreal on the St. Lawrence* (1793 and 1739); Lewis and Clarke's *Travels to the Sources of the Missouri River* and *Across the Continent to the Pacific Ocean in the Years 1804, 1805, and 1806;* together with accounts of voyages by Capt. Cook, John Barrow, Silas Seymour, and W.E. Webb's *Buffalo Land* (1872), plus others.

There are books aplenty to make even the most jaded bibliophile take special notice. Some of the extraordinary titles include: Richard Hakluyt's epic *Principal Navigations, Voyages, and Discoveries of the English Nation* (1589); *Purchas: His Pilgrimage* (1613); Sir Walter Raleigh's famous *History of the World* (1614); a lavishly illuminated and very large *Gregorian Chantbook* (medieval); *The New Testament of our Lord Jesus Christ* translated out of the Greek by Theodore Beza (1575); an early edition of the authorized version of the English Bible, known as the *King James Bible of 1611* (pub. 1634); the original manuscript of Washington Irving's *Life of Washington;* Dr. Harvey's *Narratives of the Great Plague and Great Fire of London* (1665/1666); *The History of the World* by Caecilius Secundas Caius Plinius (trans. 1635); plus works by Noah Webster, Edmund Burke, Edward Everett, and many antique books about coins and medals.

A medley of writers and composers is featured: Longfellow, H. B. Stowe, Mendelssohn, Beethoven, Liszt, Wm. Cowper, Th. Wyatt, Burns, J. Strauss "younger," Haydn, Verdi, by original works or autographs. Some may be surprised to note that this is "more than a coin collection." (That is not to minimize the coins and other numismatica, for they **do** deserve emphasis!) Much of the fame of the Reed exhibit lies in items such as the 1804 silver dollar which Reed acquired for $570 and is now worth in the high six figures (or **higher**). Will even "the 1804" be placed on the auction block?

There has been considerable speculation about so-called duplicates in the collection, yet there has also been considerable confusion when "varieties" of coins are mistaken for "duplicates." Reed made it crystal clear in his will that his executor (son Abraham) was not to deliver "any duplicate piece nor any pieces that have no numismatic value" to the city.

In his own hand and in his own ledger of U.S. coins, Reed observed that he owned three large cents of 1793. Ah Ha, some may say. Triplicates! No ... not at all. Observe that Reed cited "large cent, flowing hair (obverse), chain type reverse, 1793"; "large cent, flowing hair (obverse), wreath type reverse, 1793"; "large cent, liberty cap

(obverse), wreath type reverse, 1793"; hence, there's not a duplicate or a triplicate in that group. Value? Between $10,000 - $20,000 or more per coin. (Or higher!)

Reed also boasted of owning the large date on large "planchette" version of the 1829 half eagle ($5) gold coin, as well as the small date on small "planchette" of the same date and denomination. Clearly, neither half eagle is a copy of the other. Value? About $100,000 per coin. (Or much higher!)

And there are plenty of other examples of non-duplicated coins in Reed's collection: the 1795 large eagle and the 1795 small eagle $5 gold coin; the 1832 $5 gold coin with 12 stars and the 1832 $5 gold coin with 13 stars (12 stars=$55,000, 13 stars=$16,000). What a difference a single star can make! (Values will fluctuate.)

Other significant pairs include the 1796 half dollar with 15 stars and with 16 stars, 1796 $2.50 gold with stars and no stars, 1797 $5.00 gold with 15 stars and with 16 stars, 1798 (over 97) $10.00 gold with seven stars left and six stars right and nine stars left and four stars right. Pairs? Yes. Duplicates? No.

Although Reed's numismatic holdings represent the ancient world, Europe, and the United States, the main focus of his numismatic interest had to be the United States. A few of the featured players in this scenario must include the following: NE Shilling, pewter restrike of the Continental dollar, restrike of the 1861 Confederate half dollar, 1793 half cent, 1836 half cent restrike, 1856 Flying Eagle cent, 1877 Indian Head cent, 1867 five cent piece with rays, 1796 quarter dollar, 1797 half dollar, Gobrecht dollars (1836, 1838, and 1839), 1826 $2.50 gold, 1875 $3.00 gold, 1879 $4.00 gold, 1850 Dubosq $5.00 gold, 1849 Oregon $5.00 gold, 1851 Moffatt-Humbert $50.00 gold slug (887 thous., #50 on rev.). These are a few of the luminaries in, as Hollywood producers like to call it, "a cast of thousands."

As an admirer of the work of the master medalist, Benedetto Pistrucci, examining the cast version of his Waterloo medal was a treat. The medalist had successfully used classical mythology to allegorically relate the defeat of Napoleon I. The hefty medal has toned to a deep, rich chocolate patina. After viewing this medal, who could doubt that numismatic art deserves as much attention as other genres of art receive? Just as the Reed collection offers numismatic art, so, too, does it offer an impressive numismatic education through many avenues.

Territorial coinage was issued to fill the need for coins in regions of our nation where no U.S. mint existed or where the need for coins outstripped the demand. Suttler tokens were issued by the early equivalences of commissaries and post exchanges of the frontier. Beautiful, large medals were struck by the U.S. mint for presentation to ranking Indian chiefs and were referred to as Indian Peace Medals. Whether private or public, minting facilities sought to fill a need, and Byron Reed found a place for their products in his collection.

The coinage of Cleopatra, the Caesars, Herod, many other rulers of the ancient world, through the Middle Ages, Renaissance, Holy Roman Empire, up to and including the Industrial Revolution and the Railroad in Europe, and in the United States up to Reed's death in the late 19th Century is contained in the numismatic section, such as papal medals in very high relief on large planchets of metal, Civil War coins and tokens, anti-slavery medals and tokens, and very large pictorial medals in high relief showing Naval battles in great detail (even to puffs of smoke from cannons and holes torn in sails). What a wondrous treat! Generations of Omahans should be able to view Reed's remarkable legacy without fear of any of it ever being sold. To sell Reed's collection either in whole or in part would be a travesty of the greatest magnitude.

The funds were found to build the W. Dale Clark Library. Surely, finances can be

located, other than within the Byron Reed legacy, to re-develop the Western Heritage Museum's building and parking lot.

Yet, it is not only the citizens of Omaha, Nebraska who will benefit if no part of the collection is sold and if it remains in Byron Reed's city. Scholars from around the world will find something relevant to their research among the manuscripts, other literary relics, coins, medals, paper money and other properties in the collection. Omaha is adding two new hotels within five minutes of the Western Heritage Museum, so that serious students of numismatics and bibliographia will find it convenient to commute from these and other hotels in downtown Omaha. (If the collection remains in Omaha and at the W.H.M.) Also, the Reed collection must be heavily promoted. It could lure conventions to Omaha, which will profit both the city and the convention-goers. Omaha is a city of movers and shakers who can get the job done, with the help of the general public, numismatists, the media, foundations, manuscript collectors, scholars, historical societies, libraries, and conservationists of artifacts.

Again, the Byron Reed Historical Society stands ready to help City Hall, the Western Heritage Museum, and the Reed collection with our expertise. All that is needed is to ask us for our assistance in keeping the collection in Omaha, where it belongs, and where it can lure collectors and the public to view and understand history through the eyes and the collectibles of Byron Reed, philanthropist.

During the Bicentennial celebration, over 30,000 people saw the Colonial and Pattern pieces at Boys Town's Philamatic Center. These numbers can and should be repeated, with good publicity.

Today, we can and should permanently table the notion that the Reed legacy should be sold for any reason. This priceless organic unity of paper (manuscripts) and metal (numismatics) equates to the march of history. Reed's collection reveals a very sharp mind...a mind for that which is historical and significant, and an eye for beauty. Nothing like Mr. Reed's "accumulation" could be gathered today by any single collector, even if the collector had ten lifetimes to do it.

Of course, one lengthy auction could make short shrift of the entirety of the collection. Yet, if this happens, even in part, would anyone ever again will anything to the City of Omaha? This concern is increasingly being heard.

It has been observed that a people without a history – or people that don't preserve their history – are like words written upon the wind, so much ephemera. Reed, selflessly and wisely, passed along his history of the world inscribed on planchets of metal and pages of paper. He passed along a torch which we must not drop, or we will not be keeping faith, either with Reed, the benefactor, the public, or history.

About the author: Robert M. Vassell catalogued many of the medals in the Byron Reed collection during the 1970s. He has taught courses on numismatics, designed medals honoring epic poet John G. Neihardt, scripted The Byron Reed Story, and has taught in high schools and colleges. He presently teaches English at Metro Community College, serves as a manuscript and numismatic consultant, and is on the Board of the Byron Reed Historical Society.

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"There Stands Jackson Like A Stone Wall"

by Bill Brandimore

These famous words were spoken by Confederate Brigadier General Bernard Bee in July of 1861 as Brigadier General Thomas Jackson stood fast on Henry Hill, vowing to give them the bayonet if necessary. The stirring valor displayed by Jackson's troops at "First Manassas," or Bull Run as the Yankees referred to it, gave rise to the name "Stonewall," both for Jackson and what would ever after be known as the "Stonewall Brigade."

A stern and quiet man, even in youth, Jackson left his home in Western Virginia in 1842, second choice for a West Point appointment. The first choice had flinched at the sight of the spartan life at the United States Military Academy and Jackson had his chance. Hard work and dedication would serve him well as he worked his way up from barely meeting the entrance standards to the middle of the pack and finally to 17 in his graduating class of 59. George Pickett of the ill-fated charge at Gettysburg would be last in that class of 1846. It was said by his classmates, that given another two years Jackson would have led the class.

Highly religious and not given to strong drink or careless habits, Jackson would see intense action in the Mexican American War and earn brevet promotions three times ... finishing the war as a brevet Major, earning high personal praise from General Winfield Scott himself. Jackson seemed always at the center of action and led his troops with valor and determination. While barely a footnote in our nation's history, our young army fought every major engagement in this war against well-trained Mexican armies that outnumbered them two and three to one and generally held superior field positions, as well.

A professor of artillery and natural philosophy at the Virginia Military Academy when the Civil War began, Jackson offered his services to his native state. This despite the fact that he was not happy with the rebellion or the war in general and deplored slavery.

Commissioned a Colonel of Volunteers, Jackson was assigned to the Harpers Ferry Command – to hold it, or save the vital war materials for the Confederacy. He became the nemesis of the B&O Railroad. First he restricted their movements, and when he had most of their rolling stock within the confines of rebel lines he seized them and with tremendous ingenuity and effort, transported four desperately needed locomotives to Richmond...over mud roads, as the rails between Harpers Ferry and Richmond were not of the proper gauge.

So skillful were Jackson and his troops in plundering the Railroad, that B&O President John Garrett hired Jackson's chief accomplice in this massive railroad hijacking, Colonel Thomas R. Sharp, to be Master of Transportation and his right hand man, after the war.

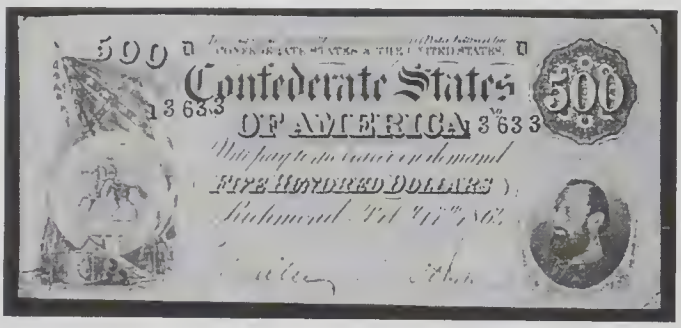
Flush with this success, Jackson, now a Brigadier, stood fast at Manassas and was assigned to protect the people of the Shenandoah Valley. A native of the area, one of their own, the residents knew him well and had insisted on Jackson being placed in charge. He left his brigade, a sad parting, to command the Army of the Valley District, as

a Major General. Here he gave the Union fits, developing what was to become his specialty ... flanking the enemy and attacking their rear.

I have walked the battlefield at Manassas and felt chills in the presence of history. I have never been more impressed, however, than when I was informed by a historical marker on the Blue Ridge Parkway, overlooking the Shenandoah Valley, that at that location, the troops of General Stonewall Jackson had winched artillery up its almost precipice-like slopes to surprise Union forces. As I looked out over the landscape, I wondered if it could be done today ... except by helicopter. Lee was a genius; and Stonewall was a part of that genius.

Fighting at Chancellorsville, and once more successful at flanking the enemy, in this case General Joe Hooker, Jackson pressed his foe relentlessly. It was his feeling that in pressing a defeated army, an army of half the size could utterly destroy their fleeing enemy.

With the battle over, and Union and Confederate lines somewhat difficult to discern in the darkness, Lieutenant General "Stonewall" Jackson was shot by troops under his own command May 2, 1863. He lingered until Sunday, May 10th, when he died of pulmonary complications brought on by his wounds. The South would lose one of history's great Generals.



It is not surprising, then, that "Stonewall" Jackson's portrait would grace the $500 note of the February 17, 1864 Confederate Issue. It has long been a popular note and no Confederate collection is truly complete without one. Nor is the note complete without the story behind it.

If you enjoyed this article, please read the book that inspired it: Class of 1846, by John C. Waugh, Warner Books, Inc., New York, NY, 1994. It details the careers of the U.S. Military Academy's Class of 1846: their travails in the Mexican War, the Indian Wars and finally their fatal meeting, classmate against classmate, brother against brother, in the Civil War. It's a great read.

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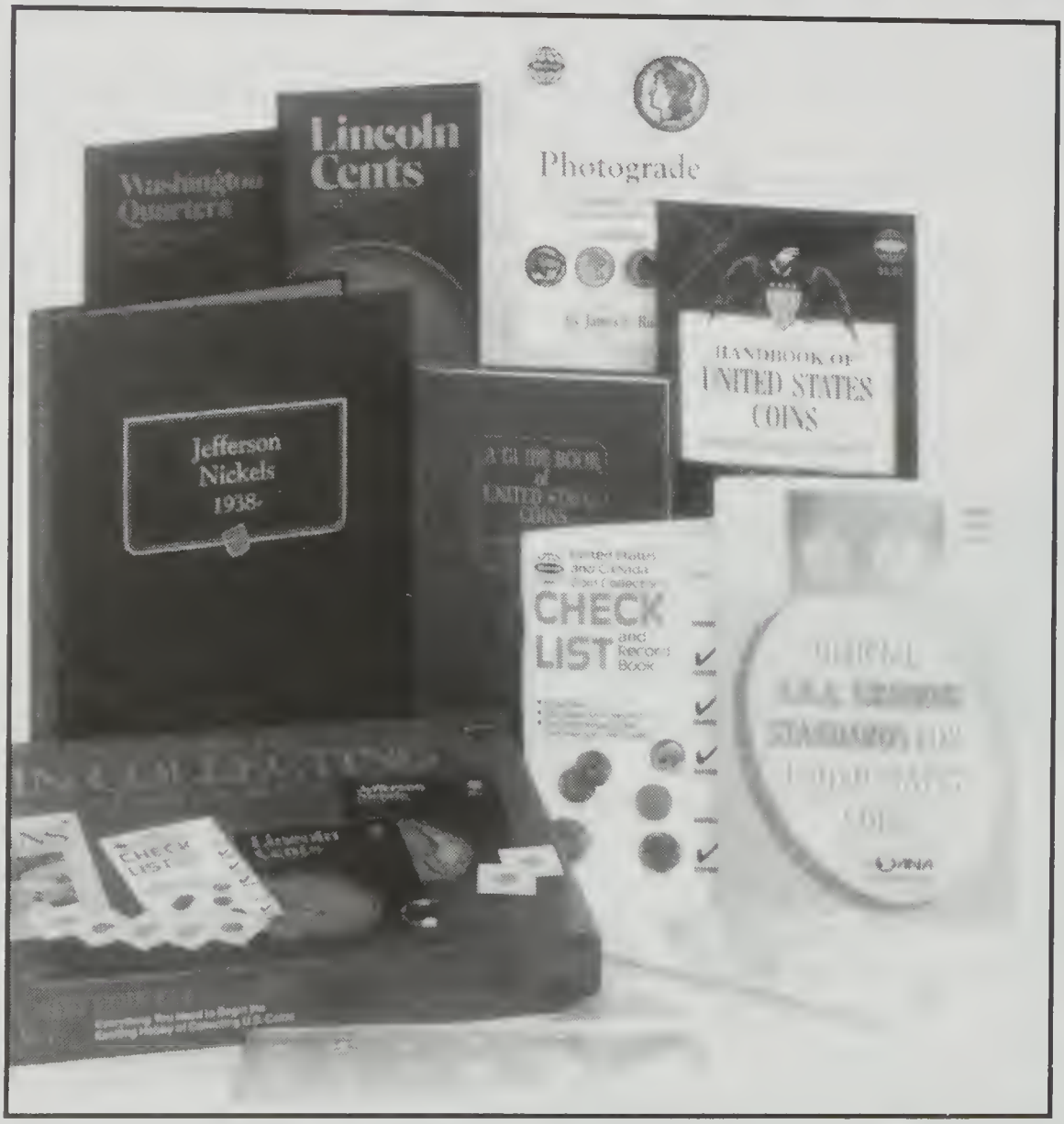

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Knowledge Pays Off in Collecting

A story to show your non-collecting friends

By S. Porter Logan

Do you believe those old coins you found stashed away in you grandparent's home are worth the price of a new car?

Did you buy "rare" coins from somebody only to find out later they're not worth nearly what you paid?

If the answer to either question is "yes," you probably don't know a whole lot about rare coins.

I don't know how many times somebody has brought me some Indian Head cents dated in the 1900s, hoping they're valuable. Well, folks, they're worth anywhere from 25 cents each on up to $20 or more. But to command the top prices, they have to be in the same condition a brand new Lincoln Cent would be as it leaves the U.S. Mint.

By and large, the old coins found by today's generation in the home of a deceased parent or grandparent turn out to be not exceedingly valuable. Certainly there are exceptions to this rule, but generally these newly discovered old coins won't buy you a car or a chicken farm.

Coin designs no longer being minted are worth more than their face value obviously, but the actual worth is determined by several factors. Most important are the coin's condition and its rarity.

Buffalo nickels, the predecessor of the Jefferson nickel, can be worth anywhere from 6 cents to hundreds of dollars. Silver and gold coins can be worth their intrinsic value on up.

So how do you determine a coin's worth? Unfortunately, there are no easy answers. You need either to educate yourself about coins or find a coin dealer or collector you feel you can trust.

By and large, the coin dealer who's been in business for a number of years has earned a reputation of honesty. Otherwise, his or her shop would be out of business. Still, longevity isn't a guarantee.

One test of a dealer is to buy a few relatively inexpensive coins and try to sell them to other dealers. But don't expect to be offered the amount you paid. Dealers are in business to pay the rent and show a profit. If you are consistently offered prices within 10 to 20 percent of what you paid in the first place, chances are you've found a reliable dealer. If you're being offered far less, you need to change dealers. If by some chance you're offered more, sell and go back to that original dealer and buy more. Take your profits as best you can. However, that's not likely to be the case.

Let me pause for a moment to make a sales pitch. You might want to consider membership in several organizations, such as the American Numismatic Association and-or our own Indiana State Numismatic Association. Of course, there are numerous local clubs you could join. They usually offer a brief business meeting, an educational program and an auction.

Almost every numismatic authority will tell you that knowledge is the key to success in our hobby-industry. That includes knowledge about rarity and condition of a coin, as well as its historic value.

Virtually every coin ever minted has a historic story to tell. I'll tell one in this limited space.

In 1883 the United States issued a new 5-cent coin but neglected to use the word "cents." Instead, the Roman numeral "V" was used on the reverse. It didn't take long for con men to gold plate these coins and pass them as $5 gold pieces, which were about the same size.

One of the people arrested for doing this was a fellow named Joshua Tatum.

His defense: he was only having fun; just kidding. Legend has it that from this case comes the expression "I was just joshin' you."

Well, that's a legend, which means it might or might not be true. But generally numismatic stories are accurate and based on fact.

You can only get these facts and other information about true coin values by getting involved in a coin organization and by reading up on the subject. There are numerous excellent reference books and periodicals available.

The basic book is the "Red Book," formally titled "A Guide Book of United States Coins.

There are two weekly newspapers for coin collectors: Numismatic News, 700 E. State St., Iola, WI 54990, and Coin World, P.O. Box 150, Sidney, OH 45365.

Certainly there are many other reference books and publications, but these are considered the basic ones.

If you're educated about coins, you'll know to shy away from certain telemarketers and newspaper ads. For example, would you buy three Morgan dollars in "good" condition for $100?

"Good" is one of the lowest grades possible. Three common-date Morgans in "good" would be worth less than $30 total.

That's not to say all telemarketers and newspaper ads are rip-offs. But, quite frankly, there's a problem in our hobby-industry with people trying to take advantage of the non-numismatic public.

I've used the term "hobby-industry" a couple of times here. "Hobby" refers primarily to people who collect coins for the enjoyment of it. "Industry" refers to people who invest in coins in hopes of achieving a profit.

Both groups tend to co-exist, and a lot of people belong to both. Regardless of whether you're in the "hobby," "industry" or both, you need knowledge if you're going to be involved in numismatics. Of course, that starts with learning to pronounce the word!

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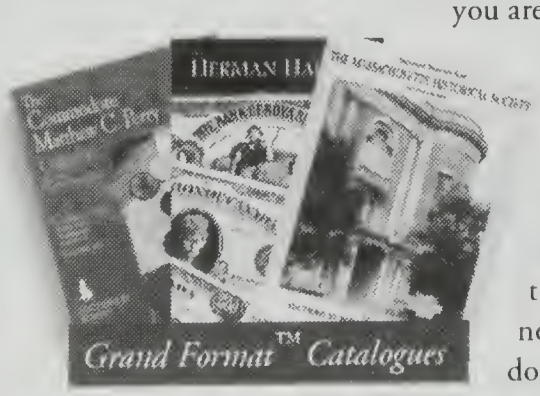

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OWLS OF THE GOLDEN AGE OF ATHENS

In the fifth century B.C., the city of Athens became the most prosperous and powerful state in Greece. Under their great statesman Pericles, the Athenians built an empire through their leadership of the Delian League, an anti-Persian military alliance. The tetradrachms of Athens, popularly known as "owls" because of their reverse design, are wonderful artifacts of the city's Golden Age. These distinctive silver coins were struck from the wealth that poured into Athens from her own silver mines and from the cities under her rule. Athenian "owls" became the standard currency of the Aegean region. In about 449 B.C., Athens issued a decree directing her subject states to cease coining silver and use Athenian coins in all transactions with the city. The reputation of "owls" as a stable currency was so great that they were used for trade far and wide. Hoards of Athenian tetradrachms have been found from Sicily and Italy in the west to Afghanistan in the east.

The Athenians used the great wealth the city now possessed to rebuild the temples burned down by the Persians in 480 B.C. For this purpose, Pericles appropriated the colossal sum of 5,000 talents (equal to 7,500,000 tetradrachms) from the treasury of the Delian League. The greatest of these temples was the Parthenon, begun in 447 B.C. Under the direction of the sculptor Phidais, the greatest architects and sculptors of the day labored to produce the finest of all Classical Greek buildings. The city's wealth also helped pay for the production of dramas performed as part of the festival of Dionysus, held each spring. The tragedies of Aeschylus, Sophocles, and Euripides, and the comedies of Aristophanes which were written and performed during Athens' Golden Age are still acted today. The city had also become a center of learning.

This was the era of the philosopher Socrates and his star pupil Plato, who, in their search for knowledge and understanding of the human condition, left an enduring legacy. That literature, philosophy, and art should flourish in the city which took its name from the goddess of wisdom, Athena, seems appropriate.

Athens' wealth and power aroused the envy of other Greek states, especially Sparta. In 431 B.C., the great contest between the two city-states and their allies known as the Peloponnesian War began. At the outset of the war, Athens had a reserve of 6,000 talents (9,000,000 tetradrachms) in coined silver lodged in the opisthodomos (treasury) of the Parthenon. However, plague (which took the life of Pericles in 429 B.C.) and ill-conceived military ventures (such as the disastrous campaign of 415-413 B.C. against Syracuse) proved to be the city's undoing. In 404 B.C., she surrendered to Sparta and dismantled her fortifications. Athens would become a power again in the fourth century B.C., but she never regained the dominant position she attained before the Peloponessian War.

Because of what they represent, Athenian "owls" are among the most sought-after of ancient coins. Weighing in at about 17.20 grams each, they are of almost pure silver. On the obverse of these coins is the head of Athena, wearing a crested helmet decorated with three olive leaves and a floral scroll. Although Athena's head is shown in profile, her eye is shown frontally—an archaic feature which may have been retained due to a reluctance to tamper with a recognized symbol of financial stability. On the reverse is Athena's companion, the owl.

According to Greek legend, Athena's owl flew around the world each night to bring back to the goddess news of the day's events. Behind the owl is a sprig of olive (a reference to the city's chief agricultural export, olive oil) and a crescent moon (possibly

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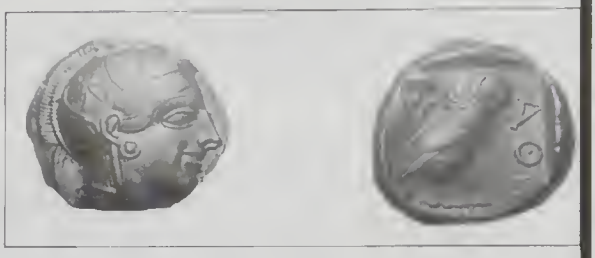
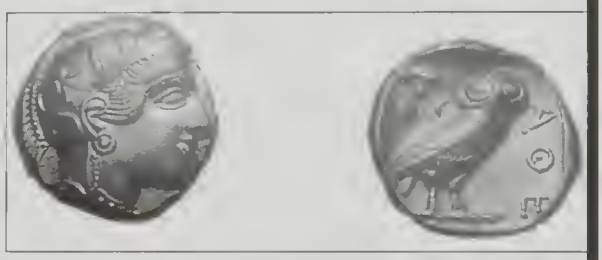


1. AU, nicely cleaned, chin touches edge of flan, however nearly full crest on obv., **rare as such, $900**.



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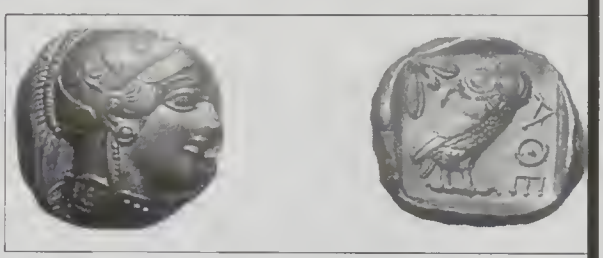

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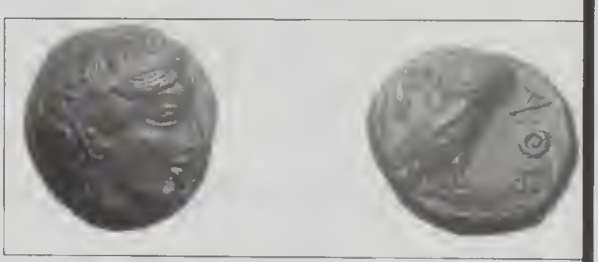

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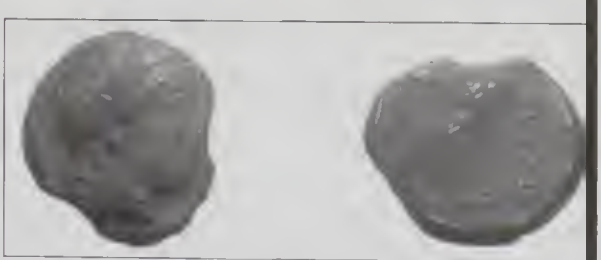

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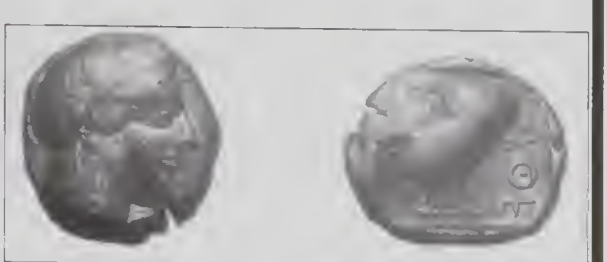

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New Book Describes Start and 50 Years of Success of Littleton Coin Company and Founder Maynard Sundman

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How a 12 year old boy eventually became the country's largest coins-on-approval dealer is explained in the new book, *A Decent Boldness: The Life Achievement of Maynard Sundman at Littleton Stamp & Coin Company.*

Sundman, now a vigorous 79, is celebrating the 50th anniversary of the founding of his Littleton, New Hampshire company. The dealership was set up in 1945 just a few weeks after he was discharged from four years of World War II Army duty.

Sundman was first introduced to collecting at the age of 12 in 1927 on a rainy day in Bristol, Connecticut. Unable to play outside with his friend Billy Potter because of the weather, Billy showed his stamp collection to young Maynard who became immediately fascinated by the colorful pieces of paper from around the world.

The autobiography explains how Sundman's company expanded into numismatics when he became friends with Canadian dealer Max Yas, and traces Littleton's mail-order business from a table top in his parents' home to a 30,000 square foot operation where 180 people work today.

Autographed copies of the 330 page, illustrated book are available for $25.00 in hardcover and $15.95 softcover. Orders should be sent to: Littleton Stamp & Coin Co., Dept. DSX, 646 Union Street, Littleton, NH 03561. The toll free telephone number is 800-645-3122.

1950s photo of Maynard Sundman at work.

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Book Review

The Complete Guide to Shield and Liberty Head Nickels, published by DLRC PRESS Virginia Beach, VA is scheduled to be released by November 1, 1995. An information intensive 224 pages filled with: 1) Date Analysis; 2) Illustrated Grading Section; 3) Full Section on Varieties; 4) Vivid descriptions of the Factors Which Affect the Quality of Shield and Liberty Head Nickels; 5) Historical Information; 6) History of the Series; 7) Scarcity Ratings; 8) Over 200 photographs; 9) Descriptions of the Hubs; 10) Information to assist the collector to designate Proof or Mint State; 11) Counterfeits; 12) Errors; 13) Patterns including an appearance and pricing history over a twenty-year period; 14) The fascinating story about the 1913 Liberty Head nickel – with fresh material including the diagnostics of each of the five known coins – and much, much more. Authored by Gloria Peters and Cindy Mohon, this heavily researched volume covering the legally authorized nickel coinage from 1866 to 1912 required analysis of 20 years of auction records, summation of the two major grading services population reports, and many interviews in order to provide the reader with a solid estimate of scarcity/availability/rarity. New information explains why so many of the circulated Shield nickels and older Liberty Head nickels look pitted and cleaned! (No, not dealer or collector abuse this time!) This book is a "Don't Miss It" revelation for both the serious collector and the well-educated dealer; and it reads easily for novices. Softbound editions available for $34.95/hardbound for $59.95 – plus P&H (CA Res. add 7.75%). To order your autographed copy, please contact: P&M Rare Coins, Gloria Peters and Cindy Mohon, 14252 Culver, #490, Irvine, CA 92714, Phone: 714-559-5797; FAX: 714-559-0777.

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In addition, authors are compensated at a rate of roughly five dollars per 100 words.

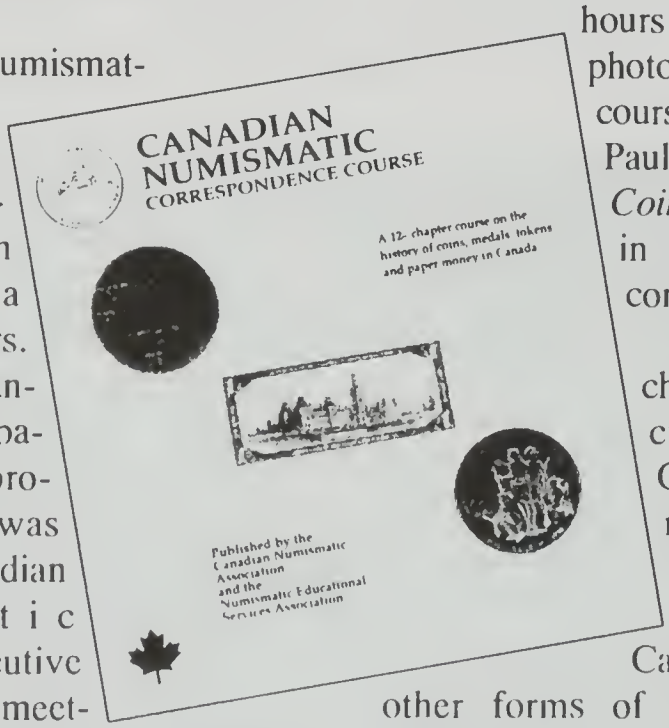
If you have a piece you'd like to submit for possible publication, contact the editors — Jim and Karen Jach, P.O. Box 21766, Milwaukee, WI 53221, phone 414/281-4687.

CNA-NESA Correspondence Course
launched at CNA Convention

One of the most ambitious numismatic projects ever undertaken in Canada was unveiled at a special gathering during the 1995 Canadian Numismatic Association's 1995 Convention in Calgary, Alberta.

For the past three years, the Chairman of the Canadian Numismatic Association's Educational and Library Committee, Paul Johnson, has been hard at work steering a committee of dedicated numismatists to bring the CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence Course from conception to completion.

The idea of a numismatic correspondence course on Canadian numismatics had been discussed for a number of years. However, the mandate to begin preparation of the proposed course was given by the Canadian Numismatic Association executive at their July 1992 meeting. Since the primary aim of the association is to encourage and promote the science of numismatics by acquirement and study of coins, paper money, medals, tokens and all other numismatic items, with special emphasis of material pertaining to Canada, it was only fitting that the CNA should undertake such a vast project.



Paul Johnson, a well-known and respected numismatist, was appointed its Chairman after a monetary grant was approved by the Numismatic Educational Services Association (NESA), a registered Canadian non-profit organization, to subsidize this numismatic correspondence course.

Special thanks to Serge Pelletier who spent countless hours formatting on computer as well as assuming the responsibility for the correspondence course's design and layout. Ted Banning who had the monumental task of inputting the text into a computer and to Ted Leitch who spent countless hours on the hundreds of photographs used in the course. Thanks also go to Paul Fiocca of *Canadian Coin News* for assisting in printing the course contents.

The course includes chapters on Canadian circulating coinage, Canadian commemorative coinage, Canadian paper money, "extinct" Canadian coinage, other forms of money, a detailed description on the coining process at the Royal Canadian Mint, tips on building your collection, collecting strategies, housing and storing a collection, grading of Canadian coinage and a section on the numismatic organizations in Canada. Each of the twelve chapters include a series of fifteen questions which will serve to test the knowledge of the text. Participants are required to

answer these questions at the end of every chapter and submit them to the course administrator. A Certificate of Completion will be issued when the course is completed.

A detailed description of each of the chapters follows:

CHAPTER 1

Introduces students of numismatics to the modern business of minting money. This examination of Canada's current coinage includes a study of the designs in use and the evolving changes in metallic content. All course participants, whether novice or seasoned veterans, will gain insight into the coinage making up their pocket change.

CHAPTER 2

A chronological review of Canada's commemorative coinage beginning with the 1935 silver dollar and ending with the Canada 125 programme. In addition to documenting the coin commemorating each event, this chapter goes inside the mint and the offices of government to describe events leading up to the striking of each issue.

CHAPTER 3

Learn about the production of a Canadian coin, from the time its design is conceived to its striking and inspection before release to the public. Learn about some of the marks and symbols that occur on the coins and about interesting errors and varieties that can occur during production.

CHAPTER 4

Discusses coins that used to circulate in Canada and the colonies from which it was formed, and how those coins came to be discontinued.

CHAPTER 5

Discusses money in other forms than decimal coinage. These include tokens, banknotes, scrip, cheques, credit cards and bill of exchange.

CHAPTER 6

Examines the role of paper money in Canada's monetary history: the development of early paper money, notes of the chartered banks, obsolete notes, and notes of the Dominion of Canada and the Bank of Canada.

CHAPTER 7

Presents ideas of how to focus your collecting activity. So many different paths are available to the budding numismatist, and this section deals with some popular strategies, beginning with ones that focus on Canadian coins and paper money.

CHAPTER 8

Buying coins, participating in auctions, coin economics, dealers and avoiding problem coins are discussed.

CHAPTER 9

Learn how to protect your collection from costly damage. Reviews various materials, both safe and unsafe, that are often found in holders and cases, and gives advice on how to handle and store numismatic items.

CHAPTER 10

Provides the novice grader with a basic understanding of the terminology of coin grading, along with some helpful tips on the handling of coins. Some discussion also takes place about cleaning coins, processed coins and counterfeit coinage.

CHAPTER 11

Focuses on some important practical considerations that arise as part of the grading process. Most involve simple common sense. Their real effectiveness lies with regular use.

CHAPTER 12

Deals with the organized hobby, including information about where you can obtain coins, medals and paper money for your collection. Also examines the many options to learn more about your collection through the use of coin clubs, libraries and publications.

The course price, thanks to the subsidy from NESA, is $35.00 for CNA members, $45.00 for non-members (U.S. mailing addresses should remit in U.S. funds). These prices include all applicable taxes, the shipping of the twelve chapters and a binder, and upon completion, the mailing of the Certificate of Completion.

A special Library Edition (cerlox bound) is available to both members and non-members at $40.00 postpaid (U.S. mailing addresses remit in U.S. funds). This is mailed out at one time and does not require the completion of the questions following the twelve chapters (no Certificate of Completion will be issued).

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Award includes tuition, room and board, as well as coach class airfare from the airport nearest the awardee's place of legal residence. The approximate value of the award is $1,000.

Applicants should apply by letter and will be judged primarily on the basis of past contributions to organized numismatics. Examples of activities considered to enhance an application include service as a local, regional, or national numismatic organization officer; publication of numismatically related articles; a history of exhibiting at coin shows and other numismatic exhibitions; as well as service on the staff of local, regional, or national coin shows or numismatic conventions.

To receive a copy of the adult scholarship guidelines write to:

Roger Winkelhake, P.O. Box 6071, Lincoln, NE 68506

All inquiries must be postmarked no later than March 31, 1996. Award will be announced at the general membership meeting of the Society.

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The President and Board of Governors of the Central States Numismatic Society are pleased to announce the availability of a scholarship for YN members to attend the Summer Seminar educational program of the American Numismatic Association in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The Summer Seminar is a week-long series of educational lectures held each year at ANA headquarters and the campus of Colorado College.

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Applicants must be a CSNS member in good standing for a period of at least one (1) year prior to applying for a scholarship application.

Recipients of a CSNS scholarship in previous years are ineligible to win again.

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For a copy of the CSNS Young Numismatist scholarship guidelines and application write to:

Florence M. Schook, P.O. Box 2014, Livonia, MI 48151

Notice of nomination results

The following is a list of individuals who were nominated for CSNS office during October. An asterick (*) denotes the nomination was accepted. Where there is no designation, the nominee did not respond prior to the Dec. 1, 1995 deadline for accepting nomination and becoming a candidate on the ballot. (Nominees for governor are listed alphabetically by state.)

PRESIDENT

John Wilson, Wisconsin (*)

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Marv Mericle, Indiana (declined)
Ray Lockwood, Indiana (declined)
Roger Winkelhake, Nebraska (*)

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James Glass, Illinois (*)
Rich Hartzog, Illinois (declined)
Jack Huggins Jr., Illinois (*)
Howard Linville, Indiana (declined)
Ray Lockwood, Indiana (*)
Marv Mericle, Indiana (*)
Bob Douglas, Iowa (declined)
Brian Fanton, Iowa (*)
Harry Tileston, Kentucky (*)
James Beach, Michigan (declined)
Tom Durkin, Michigan
Robert Hatfield, Michigan (*)
Florence Schook, Michigan
Craig Whitford, Michigan
Ed Rothberg, Minnesota (*)
Jerry Swanson, Minnesota (declined)
Ron Horstman, Missouri (declined)
Jim Moores, Missouri (*)
Leon Thornton, Missouri (*)
Robert Kutcher, Nebraska (*)
Roger Winkelhake, Nebraska (declined)
Paul Padget, Ohio (*)
Bill Brandimore, Wisconsin (*)
Karen Jach, Wisconsin (declined)
Kurt Krueger, Wisconsin (*)

Notice of proposed amendment

Members attending the general membership meeting of the Central States Numismatic Society April 27, 1996 in Kansas City will vote on a proposed change to the bylaws. The proposal would change from an oral vote to a mail ballot vote the process by which certain amendments are considered.

The following adjustments would be made to Article VII Section 2 of the bylaws:

Amendments to the Constitution, and/or amendments to the By-Laws relating to the voting rights of the members or eligibility for office of officers and governors shall be presented by the Governing Board *to the membership in the form of a written ballot, which must be returned to the secretary-treasurer within 20 days of the date of issuance. A majority vote of those returning ballots shall be effective to accomplish any such amendment.* ~~in writing to the membership either by publication in the last regular issue of The Centinel published prior to the principal convention at which such amendments will be voted upon or by written notice to the membership mailed at least ten days prior to the commencement of such principal convention. A majority vote of those members present and voting shall be effective to accomplish any such amendment.~~

Election Notice

Perhaps the most important responsibility of membership in the Central States Numismatic Society is that of voting for Officers and Governors. All current members in good standing will shortly be receiving a ballot. The offices of President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and 10 Governorships are open for the candidates.

Biographical and/or campaign information submitted by candidates appears below. Please review it carefully and when your ballot arrives, mark and return it as instructed.

PRESIDENT
John Wilson

My name is John Wilson, and I am running for the position of President of the Central States Numismatic Society. I am your current Vice President and have served several terms as a Board of Governor of our wonderful organization. I have also served our organization on various committees. I reside in Milwaukee, Wisconsin with my wife Nancy and I am a retired Deputy Sheriff. I have three military honorable discharges – Naval Reserve (1961-1962); Marine Corps active duty with one tour on Okinawa and one in Vietnam (1962-1966) and Wisconsin Air National Guard (1967-1968).

I have served as President of the Milwaukee Numismatic Society for three years, South Shore Coin Club for two years and Racine Numismatic Society for one year. I have also served these clubs in other officer capacities. I am a past Governor of the Society of Paper Money Collectors and serve as an Out of State Board Member of the Paper Money Collectors of Michigan. I have also served as Membership Secretary for the Fractional Currency Collectors Board.

I have been heavily involved as a collector in the fantastic hobby of numismatics since about 1974. I belong to over 30 coin clubs (life member of many including CSNS and ANA), at the local, regional and national level. I also belong to the following state organizations in the CSNS region: MSNS, ILNA, NOW and ISNA. My collecting interests involve: coins (U.S. and ancient), paper money, numismatic books, exonumia, tokens and medals. I consider myself a collector, exhibitor, writer and researcher. I love to exhibit and educate the public and other collectors in this fascinating part of our hobby. I have been honored with the CSNS Best-in-Show award and rarely miss exhibiting at one of our conventions. My wife Nancy and I have exhibited at hundreds of coin conventions around the country which culminated with her winning the Howland Wood Best-in-Show award at the Detroit 1984 ANA. She has also won the CSNMS Best-in-Show award. As an ANA certified exhibit judge I also assist at all of our CSNS conventions in judging exhibits. I have been involved in many educational forums which include CSNS, ANA, FUN and many, many more at the local, regional and national level in many parts of the country. As an author, we have donated our articles to many numismatic organizations including CSNS where Nancy and I have been the recipient of the Elston G. Bradfield award for the best article in *The Centinel* in 1981. We have also won the Florida United Numismatist best article award.

I have given hundreds of numismatic presentations at coin clubs, local schools, libraries, banks, civic organizations and national coin club events. I have also been

involved for over ten years with the Milwaukee Numismatic Society Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic giving the portion on paper money to the scouts.

My willingness to work is represented in the 1000 hours spent in the middle 1980s in handling the souvenir card sales for the Society of Paper Money Collectors. I have also been General Chairman for the 1990 Milwaukee Central States Coin Convention (along with Nancy) and Assistant General Chairman for the 1995 Milwaukee CSNS Coin Convention. I have also helped at the 1977 and 1984 Milwaukee CSNS Coin shows. I have also been honored by being the General Chairman for the American Numismatic Association 100th Anniversary Convention in Chicago in 1991. In the position of General Chairman I have also served in that capacity for the Milwaukee Numismatic Society and South Shore Coin Club local coin shows. I was also an ANA Regional Coordinator and District Delegate.

For services to the numismatic hobby I have been honored with the Krause Publications Numismatic Ambassador Award. The American Numismatic Association has also honored me with their Glenn Smedley and Medal of Merit Awards.

Since first being elected to the CSNS Board, I have always had an open mind on important decisions. I will try to be fair to both the dealer and collector member(s) of our Society. I will listen to your viewpoint in regards to our Society whether they be positive or negative. I always try to do what is best for CSNS and work hard to keep politics out of my decisions. I will work extremely hard to always bring you a quality spring convention. My pledge to you is to bring in more members (of all ages); add educational programs and have a Young Numismatist program at all of our annual spring conventions. Since becoming involved with CSNS, I have signed up over 100 new members. Thanks for your support! I hope to see you in Kansas City this coming April, at our 1996 CSNS Convention.

VICE PRESIDENT
Jim Jach

Having served the members of the Central States Numismatic Society as Editor of *The Centinel* since 1990, I'm asking to continue my service to you in a policy making capacity as Vice President.

I am a graduate of Marquette University with a degree in public administration and American history.

I have been employed by the City of Milwaukee for 30 years, currently as the Training and Development Officer for the City of Milwaukee's Department of Employee Relations and for 25 years as a Labor Relations Specialist.

I am a Life Member of the Central States Numismatic Society. I am a Life Member of the ANA and have been appointed to the Future of the Hobby – Peace 2000 Committee. I am also a Life Member of the SPMC, MSNS, MNS, and SSCC, as well as a member of ISNA, TAMS, RNS, and NOW. I am also a Certified ANA Exhibit Judge. I collect MPC's, U.S. currency, and exhibit at conventions. I have received first place and best of show awards.

I have served as Vice President and Treasurer of the South Shore Coin Club. I have also been Exhibit Chairman of SSCC and MNS. I was Finance Chairman for the CSNS spring convention held in Milwaukee in 1990.

As Editor of *The Centinel*, I was honored to accept a third place regional publication award for *The Centinel* from the American Numismatic Association in 1993,

a second place in 1994, and I was the recipient of the ANA First Place 1995 Outstanding Regional Numismatic Publication Award.

For relaxation away from numismatics, I enjoy camping and fishing at Wild Rose, Wisconsin with my wife Karen and our one-year-old golden retriever Sandi.

I would appreciate your support and vote.

VICE PRESIDENT
Roger Winkelhake

Current member of the CSNS Board, Life Member of CSNS and a 35-year member of the ANA. Registered professional engineer with the Nebraska Department of Roads, part-time dealer and a full time collector.

My wife, Iris, and I have lived in Lincoln since our marriage 29 years ago.

Numismatic activities include president of the Lincoln Coin Club and the Nebraska Numismatic Association, bourse chair for the 1980 CSNS convention and chairperson for the 1987 and 1990 Nebraska Numismatic Association's conventions in Lincoln.

Treasurer of the Lincoln Coin Club from 1985 through 1994, which included being chairperson of the club's annual show.

Collecting specialty is exonumia and national currency with emphasis on Nebraska material and all elongated and encased coins.

Activities as a dealer are mainly in the area of United States coins and exonumia, with emphasis on collectors' coins.

Attendance at 19 outstanding CSNS conventions.

As Governor of CSNS for six years, I attended all board meetings and worked with the officers, board and membership to continue the rich tradition of our organization.

As Vice President I will continue to work with the officers, board and members to keep the CSNS as one of the best numismatic organizations in the United States.

As a numismatic organization, we must provide educational programs for collectors through our conventions and *The Centinel*. Our conventions must continue to have outstanding exhibits and make it desirable for dealers to have a bourse table at the convention. It is these dealers who provide the bulk of the funding for CSNS.

Being both a collector and a part-time dealer, I will serve the interests of both collectors and dealers as Vice President of CSNS.

SECRETARY-TREASURER
Jerry Lebo

I'm completing my first term as Secretary-Treasurer, and am running unopposed for re-election. Still, a brief campaign statement is in order.

Our financial books balance right down to the cent and I'm continually looking for the best investments for our money, especially the life membership accounts. There's still some work to be done in that area, and probably always will. And, of course, bills have been paid in a timely manner.

As secretary, all correspondence has been answered promptly, and I've done my best to set up arrangements for our semi-annual board meetings, which, so far, have been carried off successfully.

GOVERNOR

William Brandimore—Wisconsin

Hello, my name is William (Bill) Brandimore. I am a candidate for the Board of Governors of our Society. I am currently the Chief of Police in Wausau, Wisconsin. I have been in Wausau since 1988 when I retired from the Detroit, Michigan, Police Department.

My wife Pat and I have been married for 33 years and have four grown children, none of whom are collector's ... yet.

I collect Fractional Currency, U.P. Michigan and Wisconsin Nationals, a few Ancients and whatever else appeals to my curiosity. I am very interested in history and believe as a collector that I am also a caretaker of historical artifacts (coins and currency) that need to be preserved for future generations.

I feel that as a group we need to support Junior Numismatics in order to insure that there are caretakers to whom we can pass along our historical treasures/artifacts.

I am currently a member of the Board of Directors for NOW, Numismatists of Wisconsin; the editor of *The Rag Picker,* the quarterly magazine for PMCM, Paper Money Collectors of Michigan and the ANA District Delegate for Northern Wisconsin. I also belong to the Grosse Pointe Numismatic Society, the Wisconsin Valley Coin Club, the Michigan State Numismatic Society, FCCB, Fractional Currency Collector's Board, and, naturally the Central States Numismatic Society.

I believe we need to be active in our hobby if we are to see it continue as a source of wonder for future generations. I am a proponent of sound fiscal policies to insure Society solvency and I believe we must first serve the collector in order to better serve the dealer. There is no Chicken/Egg controversy here. The collector came first and no dealer can know success without collectors.

I am a frequent exhibitor, having won two first prizes in U.S. Paper Money at CSNS Conventions. I write a monthly "Numismatic Nook" column for the local Wausau paper, the *Daily Herald*, and have given educational presentations on numismatics to local groups as well as at various Coin Shows.

I believe education is a key factor in promoting our hobby and as you can see, I have worked at the education component in my efforts to further the cause of numismatics.

I am willing to conscientiously serve the Society if you entrust me with your vote. Thank you.

Brian E. Fanton—Iowa

My name is Brian E. Fanton. I'm currently completing my first term as the Iowa CSNS Governor. It's been a great learning experience which will help me serve the membership for the next two years. I'm a collector, part-time dealer, teacher and presently appointed as the ANA Education Committee Chairman. I want to continue to promote numismatics through knowledge of the hobby. This includes doing talk shows, holding forums, teaching scout merit badge programs and spreading the word to the public. I've been involved in all aspects of the hobby and love to spend the time. Thank you for voting for me.

James M. Glass—Illinois

A Governor should know what he stands for, which should be what the majority of members desire. This can only be achieved by talking to members and listening to their comments or complaints.

In the past when I've had a complaint I would receive the politician's answer such as "I'll take it under advisement." Once I was told that if I didn't like it, I should run for the office of Governor. Well, here I am and here is what I stand for:

I've been in the coin business for 18 years as part owner with my wife Norma of Sunnybrook Coin Co. We are retired and operate mainly at coin shows or with our collector clientele. I have a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Butler University and a Law Degree from Indiana University. I am a graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University. I am a member of both the Indiana and the Indianapolis Bar Association. I once was a Real Estate Broker and I served 20 years in banking and retired after 12 years as President of Addison State Bank, Addison, Illinois.

Currently, I have been appointed as the Illinois Director of The National Council For Drug Abuse and am in the process of being named State Commander for the American Regular Veterans Association.

I believe Central States must be responsive to collectors, investors and dealers if our organization is to prosper. We should stress educating the public on the historical significance of all numismatic material and the joy of participating in numismatics.

I believe any President of Central States should be eligible to run for two consecutive terms the same as the President of the United States. I believe a Governor is not an aristocrat nor nobility, but simply a member who has been elected to serve all members and create a better organization for all members.

I believe a survey offering an opportunity for members to voice opinions or complaints should be mailed out once a year with membership renewals and the Board of Governors should be responsive to acting on majority opinions.

I believe coin dealers should have an opportunity of renting a table at a coin show for Friday and Saturday at a reasonable price and to pay an additional fee for a Sunday table, or that table should be rented to other dealers for that one day.

If you like straight answers and a person who does not vacillate, then I would appreciate your vote.

Jack D. Huggins Jr.—Illinois

My name is Jack D. Huggins Jr. I live in Belleville, Illinois, which has always been my home. I am 33 years old and single. I am a graduate of Southern Illinois University with a degree in Accountancy. I work with my brothers in our own Certified Public Accounting firm. I am a Life Member of CSNS. In addition, I am a member of ANA, ILLNA, NOW, ISNA, and INA.

At the age of seven, I began helping my father search for dates to plug into Whitman folders. My father (Jack D. Huggins Sr.) was a member of the board of governors in the 70's and 80's. I attended the CSNS coin shows with him. I am an avid exhibitor. I have exhibited at local, state, regional, and national shows. When I exhibited at CSNS in 1978, as a junior, I received the Lowell L. Owen Memorial Best of Show. At the 1995 CSNS convention in Milwaukee, Wis., I received the Harry X Boosel Memorial Best of Show for exhibiting. I have also been a certified ANA exhibit judge since 1978. I have judged at numerous state and regional shows.

After serving on the board of ILLNA, I am currently the Vice President. I am fortunate to be involved with an organization that has increased its membership, and that produces a profitable and educational state convention.

If elected, I plan to bring my business experience to CSNS. I would support CSNS and its loyal members by increasing the membership base, encouraging exhibiting, adding educational forums at our conventions, and helping with the young numismatists programs. In addition, I would institute an internal Performance Audit program, which emphasizes surveying our members on how CSNS can better serve them. Finally, my long range goal is to aid in the continuing success of CSNS well into the next century.

Robert R. Kutcher—Nebraska

I have been an ardent collector of all numismatic materials for over half a century. As an employee of Lincoln's first Coin and Stamp Shop, I was on hand for the organizational meetings for both the Lincoln Coin Club and the Nebraska Numismatic Association. I have served in every office of both of these organizations, and was given an "Honorary Life Membership" in the NNA for my services there. I was instrumental in bringing the Central States Numismatic Society 41st Anniversary Convention to Nebraska and served as a Co-Chairman of that 1980 show. In 1992 I received the CSNS Medal of Merit.

For my services with the first accredited class of Classical Numismatics at the University of Nebraska, 1974-75, the Board of Regents of the University conferred upon me the title and position of "Research Affiliate" in the Museum's Numismatic and Philatelic Section. I enjoy, and encourage education with my varied numismatic articles, in several publications, and with my lectures and illustrated talks at schools, churches and fraternal associations. I try to promote the active participation in the hobby by setting an example in the exhibiting of my numismatic materials at local, regional and national coin shows and conventions.

It would be a distinct honor to serve you on the CSNS Board of Governors from the State of Nebraska.

Ray Lockwood—Indiana

I am running for re-election as a CSNS governor to continue to give collectors a voice in the affairs of our great regional organization.

The CSNS Board is in the process of going from 13 governors to 10 as a cost-saving measure. The current Board is blessed with several fine dealer members with name recognition and years of excellent service to our hobby and organization.

I believe that the CSNS Board should have a balance of dealers and collectors since each group brings its own unique view of the hobby to our organization. Collectors need strong, effective voices on the CSNS Board to assure that decisions are made with the collectors' best interests at heart. I have and would continue to provide such a voice if re-elected.

I will also continue to be an advocate of young numismatist projects and a champion for exhibits at future shows.

My first two-year term on the CSNS Board has been a great learning experience. The current Board worked well together in view of some very challenging and potentially devisive issues including the PNG question.

I have tried to do my best to represent CSNS members in my decision making and voting. Now, I can only say that your vote and continued confidence will be very much appreciated.

Marvin Mericle—Indiana

Currently completing my first full term on the Board of Governors of Central States, I have found meetings to be very challenging but also enjoyable. For those who

don't know me - I reside in Fort Wayne, IN, with my wife Barbara. I have three grown children, Kevin, Kimberly, Kirk and three grandchildren. I have lived in Indiana since 1979. Prior to this time, I served in the Navy for twenty-three years. Was a member of coin clubs throughout United States. They included clubs in Florida, New Jersey, and Virginia. While stationed in Toms River, NJ, two other sailors and myself started the "Lakehurst Coin Club" which later was changed to the "Ocean County Coin Club." This is one of the few coin clubs which meets twice a month and still is as strong as the day it first started.

I am past president of the Old Fort Coin Club, having served on the board for the past seventeen years. I hold membership in Adams County Coin Club, John Reich Collectors Society, The Society of Paper Money Collectors, American Numismatic Association, and Life membership in Central States Numismatic Society and Indiana State Numismatic Association. I am Past President of the Indiana State Numismatic Association.

My numismatic interests are very broad. Having collected U.S. Coins, Foreign Coins, coin series, and Types. My current collecting entails communion Tokens, Iowa Centennial Medals, Paper Money of Africa and most important-Military Payment Certificates (MPC). Having collected for the past forty years, I truly enjoy this field not only as a hobby or history, but for the many great people I have been able to meet and discuss famous events or great collections.

If re-elected to the board of Central States Numismatic Society, I will continue to support the hobby and members of CSNS. I am committed to education and collector participation through our funding of scholarships. I have not missed a board meeting to date, and if re-elected I will be present at all scheduled CSNS board meetings, and promise to work in promoting the hobby of Numismatics.

The one thing I ask of every member of CSNS – VOTE!!!

Jim Moores—Missouri

I am honored to be nominated for a position on the CSNS Board of Governors, and I sincerely solicit your vote in the upcoming CSNS election.

Should you favor me with your vote, you will simply get someone who has SERVICE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MEMBERSHIP as my principal theme and goal, and more importantly, my ELECTED RESPONSIBILITY. Specifically, I will do the best job that I can by (1) attending every CSNS board meeting, (2) attending every CSNS general membership meeting, (3) attending every CSNS educational forum and activity, (4) attending every CSNS exhibits awards meeting, and (5) working FULL-TIME at each CSNS anniversary convention to promote the betterment of the Society through such activities as providing hands-on help with bourse, exhibits, or educational pursuits, and working FULL-TIME to meet and greet the Society's membership on the convention floor. Quite frankly, I believe that those who have been elected to serve the membership, and have been accorded the honor of wearing the gold CSNS blazer, owe it to the membership to devote the majority of their effort in serving the membership and working for the betterment of CSNS. As a 20+ year CSNS member, I look forward to SERVING the Society.

Just a brief note about myself. I have been a member of the Missouri Numismatic Society for over 38 years, and served that organization as president for three years and board chairman for two years. I have been an active participant in CSNS since 1974, and served as exhibits chairman at three successful conventions in St. Louis. I also served as exhibits chairman at a very successful ANA convention in St. Louis. My focus has

always been on numismatic education, and I have promoted this theme continually through my educational exhibits at shows and conventions, through articles that I have authored for the *Missouri Journal of Numismatics*, and through educational programs that I have cheerfully given to numismatic and other groups.

On a personal note, I am 51 years old, and an audit supervisor for the U.S. General Accounting Office. I have worked in the Federal government for 31 years, and have a degree in accounting from the University of Missouri – Columbia. My spouse, Sara, and my daughter, Carolyn, a recent geology graduate at the University of Missouri, are a big part of my life.

In summary, I will bring my energies and experience to the forefront for the betterment of CSNS. I promise each member that I will build on the strengths of CSNS, and will vigorously represent the membership by rolling up my sleeves to work for the BETTERMENT of our Society. I solicit your vote and support, and I pledge to represent the CSNS membership as we all deserve to be represented. Thank you very much, and I look forward to visiting with you at our 1996 convention in Kansas City.

Paul Padget—Ohio

If re-elected to your Board of Governors, I will continue to serve Central States in my two areas of specialty, which are 1) To assure the continued sound fiscal health of the Society, and 2) To recommend and assist in the production of good shows and show policies; during my past terms we have achieved results in both areas, and this will be continued if I am re-elected.

Ed Rothberg—Minnesota

I am writing this letter of qualification in the hope that you will consider same and elect me to a governing position. I will try to cut through my usual wordiness and make my comments as brief and substantial as possible.

I am a transplanted Bostonian from rural Minnesota, married with three children, and self-employed since 1971. I am 49 years old, reasonably healthy, reasonably honest, and overly energetic. I attended elementary and high school in Massachusetts, including Boston Latin School, where I stayed back in ninth grade with the highest possible failing grades, ultimately making me draft-eligible in 1969 instead of 1968 (everything works out!). I have a bachelor of arts degree from Moorhead State College (now University) granted 1969. I have a major in philosophy and minors in sociology, psychology, and anthropology. I taught fellowship in philosophy at the University of Houston from 1970 to 1971, and after one year, left the master's program at University of Houston to go into private business.

I entered the coin business in 1978, and by 1979 I was running both the wholesale/retail gift business and a full-time coin business.

I have attended an ANA-sponsored seminar on the detection of counterfeit coins and worked more than 400 coin shows, including 45 consecutive Long Beach shows. I have established quite a reputation in the trade as an extremely hard worker and a man of his word. I am a regular member of ANA and others, founder and president of NBDA (National Bourse Dealers Association) and Life Member of FUN, ILLNA, ISNA, KSNA, NENA, NASC, and of course Central States.

In addition to a long tradition in the coin business, I am the owner of what is possibly the fastest growing dealership in the currency business, though I'm not sure whether I own it or it owns me.

My experience also includes much else not mentioned here, including the observations (and lessons) of the past 15 years, indeed, 35 years (I started as a collector in Boston in 1958, where I was nurtured and encountered by a dealer named Burton Almont Barstow, who allowed other kids and I to hang around his office and learn about coins).

One such lesson was learned from the plastic certification experiment. Since 1986, others and I have witnessed the terrible reality of the disintegration of the free market as we knew it. The dealers were slowly strangled and forced out of business, and collectors were selling what was supposed to give them profit and pleasure, at big losses. Leaving the hobby in disgust, there was the disappearance of responsibility, when young and inexperienced whippersnappers who didn't know anything about coins, were dictating standards and turning the myth of "sight-unseen trust" into a perverse reality at the expense and welfare of the hobby. I consider the "innovation" of coin slabbing as "one step forward, many steps backward," and wish to go on record as opposing the display of slabs on the bourse floor. I am thus the first anti-slab candidate you can vote for (or against).

Based on my experience, and in light of the disturbing state of the coin market today and its effect on shows, I believe it's time for us to reassess the way our coin bourses are run and to make some badly needed changes, which I believe are in everybody's long-term interest. CSNS should seriously consider the implementation for both its annual shows, of what I call the "full bourse."

The best example to date of the "full bourse" is the Milwaukee model. Just look at what the Milwaukee Numismatic Society has accomplished with their fall show: A sold-out coin show with a $99 bourse fee, heavy traffic, lots of advertising, and no short-term profit. I say short-term, because the prestige MNS has gained can never be measured in dollars, but would nevertheless be convertible into dollars down the road if it ever became a necessary thing.

If you want a positive direction, positive ideas, and a healthy new approach, **please use your vote** (don't **lose** your vote) and mark the old "X" by Ed Rothberg.

Harry Tileston—Kentucky

Harry Tileston has been an active collector since 1938. He was among the organizers of the Louisville Coin Club in 1948, a Charter Member of ISNA, a Life Member of KSNA and has been a member of ANA, EAC, Phoenix (Arizona) Coin Club, Aurora (Illinois) Coin Club, Coshocton (Ohio) Coin Club, and has served as an officer in these clubs, among others. Harry is most active in Kentucky Clubs; he was Bourse Chairman for the 1961 KSNA Annual Convention, and was elected President of KSNA in 1964 and again in 1995.

Harry is a World War II Army veteran, a graduate of the University of Louisville with an Honors degree in Economics. He was then a full-time coin and stamp dealer (member of ASDA) before joining a major corporation for a 30-year career in Information Systems Management. Harry retired in 1983 and returned to Louisville where his two sons and three grandchildren reside. Harry has long been active in civic affairs, having been a member of Kiwanis, Elks Lodge, and a church treasurer for 12 years. He was appointed a Kentucky Colonel in 1990. He has served as KSNA bourse chairman for the past eight years for the Annual Kentucky State Coin Show, and hosted the Fall 1990 CSNS Show in Louisville. He has also served as exhibit judge in many coin shows since

1964. He volunteers for weekly coin appraisals for Senior Citizens, and is instructor for Boy Scout Merit Badges in Numismatics.

With wide experience in finance, coin club operation, and management in all phases of coin shows, Harry would again offer this expertise to CSNS as a re-elected member of its Board of Governors. During his previous two terms on the CSNS Board, Harry has provided direction in the long-term investment of CSNS funds, and has served on the Treasury Oversight Committee.

If re-elected, Harry promises to again work with CSNS officers and members to the best of his ability.

Robert D. Hatfield—Michigan

Bob Hatfield has been a collector of numismatic items since 1978. His interests include coins, paper money, medals, tokens and numismatic literature.

Bob has memberships in the ANA; the CSNS; the Michigan State Numismatic Society (MSNS); the Society of Paper Money Collectors (SPMC); the Michigan Token and Medal Society (Mich-TAMS), and the following local clubs: Dearborn; Lincoln and Downriver.

He is the current Treasurer of MSNS and the Dearborn CC; the Vice President of Mich-TAMS; and a Board Member of the Paper Money Collectors of Michigan (PMCM). Bob is also an ANA District Delegate.

Bob Hatfield has had articles appear in the *Numismatist;* the *Rag Picker* (PMCM); *Paper Money* (SPMC); and the *Junk Box* (Mich-TAMS). He has been an exhibitor at many conventions since 1983.

With this background as a collector and someone very involved in the HOBBY of numismatics, Bob feels there is need for added voices of such concerns to the CSNS Board of Governors. He asks for your support.

Kurt R. Krueger—Wisconsin

Kurt R. Krueger, founder and owner of the numismatic firm that bears his name, has been involved with the science since 1956. His interest in numismatics was sparked when he noticed that there were small "letters" (mint marks) on Lincoln Cents.

He started the firm, Kurt R. Krueger for Discriminating Collectors, in 1976. He has since catalogued 88 auction sales with a clear emphasis on collector oriented materials. Drawing on his 30 plus years experience, he is frequently quoted in the numismatic and national press.

In addition to his numismatic related business pursuits, he is involved in a wide range of organized endeavors. He is a past member of the ANA Board of Governors and a 20-year member of the Central States Numismatic Society. He is a past president of the CSNS, Numismatists of Wisconsin, Milwaukee Numismatic Society, and several grass roots clubs.

As a member of several dozen hobby organizations, he has served in various capacities ranging from journal editor to secretary. He has won numerous writing and exhibiting awards (including three CSNS Bradfield honorariums), published a widely read newsletter, and has been a visible force in organized numismatics for more than 22 years.

The Central State Numismatic Society is the final surviving "big organization" which has thus far not been cast into the eternal fires of internal politics, and unproductive

bickering. The body functions more as a family. I believe that I have been a part of this positive working relationship for the past 20 years, and would be pleased to continue if you'll have me.

For relaxation away from numismatics, Krueger is an avid outdoorsman and enjoys fishing and traveling. He and his wife, Kathy, are the parents of three children, Kristofor, Kim, and Kalli, all CSNS members.

Leon Thornton—Missouri

As a teacher at the Winona, Missouri, High School, my interest in numismatics revolves around the educational aspects of the hobby. I'd like to see the Central States Numismatic Society give a greater emphasis to its role in educating the public about our field.

I'd especially like to see greater support and emphasis given to attracting articles for *The Centinel* based on original research about little known numismatic subjects related to the Central States region. Let's give researchers a real incentive to write for our magazine by offering additional compensation to develop subjects for publication which otherwise wouldn't see the light of day because our modest author's fees won't come close to compensating them fairly for the many hours of research necessary to break new ground.

I also feel we ought to be more active in helping the various groups which concern themselves with legislative and regulatory threats to numismatics. Our hobby is under attack from more and more government regulation and intervention. We can't just sit back and pretend this threat doesn't exist.

When new legislation or regulations are proposed which are adverse to the interests of our hobby, CSNS needs to take a position and make that position known to the legislators. A healthy numismatic marketplace is what makes our society possible. We need to do more to protect that marketplace from outside threats. I ask your support, and pledge to work for these goals.

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Heartland Trade Shows Set for 1996

Three numismatic events are scheduled for 1996 as the major lineup of Heartland International Trade Shows, which is affiliated with Krause Publications.

The Chicago Paper Money Exposition will be held February 23-25 in Rosemont, Illinois; the Chicago International Coin Fair is scheduled for March 29-31 in Chicago; and the MidAmerica Coin Convention will take place June 27-30 in Milwaukee.

The Chicago Paper Money Exposition (CPMX) was started in 1995 and was a sell out. The 1996 Exposition will be held at the same location, the Ramada O'Hare Hotel, 6600 N. Mannheim Rd. in Rosemont (a northern Chicago suburb adjacent to Chicago's O'Hare Airport).

Bourse set-up is scheduled for 3:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. Thursday, February 22. Dealers without tables can get early admission badges at this time for $50. The show is sold out for the second year in a row. If you would like your name added to the dealer waiting list for booths, please contact Kevin Foley at (414) 282-2407.

Hours of the 100-booth show are 10:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M., February 23-24 and 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M., February 25.

Room reservations at the Ramada can be made by calling (708) 827-5131. Be sure to mention the Chicago Paper Money Exposition with your inquiry to receive a special room rate of $72 a night, single or double occupancy. free guest parking is included. Reservations should be made as soon as possible, as there is another large event in the hotel at the same time and rooms may not be available for those who wait to reserve them.

The show will include two one-session auctions. On Friday, February 23, R.M. Smythe and Company, the well-known New York-based rare currency and stock and bond dealer, will hold an auction. On Saturday, February 24, noted paper money specialist, Lyn F. Knight, will also hold an auction. The auction lot viewing will begin at 9:00 A.M. Thursday, February 22.

"I am delighted to have two auctions at this year's exposition to give attendees a broader range of merchandise to purchase," said Convention General Chairman Kevin Foley. "It really strengthens the show."

The Chicago Coin Club will also hold a formal meeting on Saturday, February 24. Details of the meeting have not yet been finalized.

CPMX is sponsored by Krause Publications' *Bank Note Reporter*, a monthly publication with a global perspective on paper money collecting. It is the only independently produced publication devoted entirely to U.S. and world paper money, notes, checks, and all related fiscal paper. The newspaper includes a display ad incentive program.

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The Chicago International Coin Fair (CICF) '96 is scheduled for March 29-31, and the Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers in downtown Chicago will be the site for the third consecutive year.

Bourse set-up is scheduled from 4:00 P.M. - 8 P.M. Thursday, March 28. Fees run from $665 to $965 depending on location.

Hours of the 100-table show are 10:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M., March 29-30 and 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M., March 31.

Room reservations at the Sheraton can be made by calling (312) 329-7000 or writing Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers, 301 E. North Water St., Chicago, IL 60611. Be sure to mention the Chicago International Coin Fair with your inquiry to receive a special room rate of $124 a night, single or double occupancy.

The show will also include two auctions. On Thursday, March 28, Harlan J. Berk Ltd., the widely respected Chicago-based numismatic firm whose proprietor is know as an authority on ancient coins, will hold an auction made up exclusively of ancient coins. On Friday and Saturday evenings, March 29-30, Ponterio and Associates will hold a two-session auction covering all phases of world numismatics. Lot viewing for both auctions will begin on the morning of Thursday, March 28.

Kevin Foley, also the CICF general chairman, said he was very happy to have the two auctions at the CICF. "These two auctions provide a very broad range of items for those in attendance to bid on. We are extremely pleased to have these firms auctioning at the convention."

During the show there will also be various club meetings and educational programs. The American Numismatic Society plans to hold an educational symposium in conjunction with the show, but the schedule has not yet been finalized. The Chicago Coin Club will also hold a formal meeting on Saturday, March 30. At that meeting a reproduction of a numismatically collectible item will be given to attendees. The meeting will also have a speaker, who has not yet been determined.

For more than 20 years the world has met at CICF to buy and sell world coins, paper money, tokens, and medals—ancient to modern, common to key. It's the largest coin show in the United States devoted exclusively to international numismatics. Dates for the 1997 event have been set for April 4-6.

CICF is sponsored by Krause Publications' *World Coin News*, a biweekly newspaper that is your link to world coin collecting, from Austria to Zaire.

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The 15th annual MidAmerica Coin Convention continues to be professionally managed and was acquired last year by Heartland from show founder Kevin Foley, who continues as the show's bourse and general chairman.

The show was founded in 1982 and is held annually at the MECCA Convention Center in downtown Milwaukee (500 W. Kilbourn Ave.). Foley has been the show's bourse chairman since its inception.

The 1996 show is scheduled for June 28-30 with bourse set-up from 2:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. June 27. Dealers without tables will be admitted for $25 at that time. Booth fees run from $149 to $299 depending on location.

Hours of the 140-table show are 10:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M., June 28-29 and 10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M., June 30.

Special room rates have been arranged at two downtown Milwaukee hotels:

The Hyatt Regency, a luxury-quality hotel located across the street from MECCA, is connected to the convention center by a skywalk. A special convention rate of $89 for a single or double is offered. You must mention you are attending the MidAmerica Coin

Convention when reserving a room in order to get this rate. For reservations call (414) 276-1234.

The Hotel Wisconsin, which offers a clean room at a reasonable price for economy lodging, is located at 720 N. Third St. and is a short 1-1/2-block walk from the MECCA. A special convention rate of $43 for a single and $46 for a double is available, along with free guest parking. You must mention the MidAmerica Coin Convention when reserving a room to get this rate. For reservations call (414) 271-4900.

The MidAmerica Coin Convention is sponsored by Krause Publications' *Numismatic News*, a weekly publication for the serious collector/investor.

Table holders may receive up to $400 in credits redeemable toward the table and/or room at next year's MidAmerica Coin Convention by running an advertising schedule in *Numismatic News*. Dealers are asked to contact their Krause Publications advertising representative for information.

Future MidAmerica conventions are scheduled for the last weekend of June through 1999.

For more information on CPMX, CICF, or the MidAmerica show, contact Foley at P.O. Box 573, Milwaukee, WI 53201. Phone (414) 282-2407; fax (414) 282-3528.

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Show Calendar

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1996 SHOW CALENDAR

MUNCIE, INDIANA — JANUARY 21

Muncie Coin Club 39th Annual Coin Show. Ball State University, Student Center – Cardinal Hall, 2200 University Ave. Ray Saylor, P.O. Box 1184, Muncie, IN 47302. 317/288-0371

ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS — FEBRUARY 4

Rockford Area Coin Club 79th Semi-Annual Coin Show, Holiday Inn, The Hoffman House, 7550 E. State Street, Rockford, IL. Ralph Winquist, 1004C Street, Rockford, IL 61008. 708/963-0396

ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA — FEBRUARY 11

35th Annual Winter Southern Minnesota Coin Show, sponsored by Rochester Coin Club, Radisson Plaza Hotel, 150 So. Broadway St. Jerry Swanson, P.O. Box 565, Rochester, MN 55903. 507/289-5099

TROY, MICHIGAN — FEBRUARY 18

Polish American Numismatic Society Show. American Polish Cultural Center, corner of Dequinder and Maple (15 mile Rd.), Troy, MI. Lester Rosik, P.O. Box 556, Warren, MI 48090. 810/977-1738

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS — FEBRUARY 23-25

Chicago Paper Money Exposition, Ramada O'Hare Hotel, 6600 N. Mannheim Rd., Rosemont, IL. Kevin Foley, P.O. Box 573, Milwaukee, WI 53201. 282-2407

RACINE, WISCONSIN — FEBRUARY 25

Racine Numismatic Society 58th Annual Coin Show, Racine Marriot Hotel, 7111 W. Washington Ave. (Hwy. 20), Racine, WI. Jerome Binsfeld, Box 191, Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158. 414/654-6272

JOLIET, ILLINOIS — MARCH 10

Will County Coin Club 38th Annual Show, Holiday Inn, Interstate 80 & Larkin Avenue, Joliet, IL. Clayton J. Hagemann, 1414 Eldamain Rd., Plano, IL 60545. 708/552-3491

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA — MARCH 10

Cedar Rapids Coin Club Show, Sheraton Inn, 525 33rd Ave. Southwest (West side of I-380 at 33rd Ave. Exit), Cedar Rapids, IA. Brian Fanton, P.O. Box 81, Hiawatha, IA 52233-0081. 319/393-1192

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA — MARCH 15-17

Northwest Coin Club 62nd Annual Show, Earle Brown Heritage Center, Brooklyn Center, MN. Lee Quast, P.O. Box 18053, Minneapolis, MN 55418. 612/533-6564

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA — MARCH 17

The Old Fort Coin Club Annual Coin and Paper Money Show, Allen County Fairgrounds. Mark Eberhardt, P.O. Box 11051, Fort Wayne, IN 46815. 219/486-8876

MARION, INDIANA — MARCH 24

Marion Coin Club 38th Annual Show, Grant County 4-H Fairgrounds, State Highway 18 East, Marion, IN. Ray Lockwood, Marion Coin Club, P.O. Box 93, Marion, IN 46952. 317/664-6520

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS — MARCH 29-31

Chicago International Coin Fair Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers, 301 East North Water St., Chicago, IL. Kevin Foley, P.O. Box 573, Milwaukee, WI 53201. 414/282-2407

KEOKUK, IOWA — MARCH 30-31

Keokuk Coin Club's Spring Coin Show, Keosippi Mall, 300 Main Street, Keokuk, IA. Tom Gardner, P. O Box 172, Keokuk, IA 52632. 319/524-7366

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN — APRIL 19-21

South Shore Coin Club's 32nd Annual Show, MECCA Convention Center, 4th and Kilbourn, Milwaukee, WI. Annette Tramte, 2369 S. 59th St., West Allis, WI 53219. 414/541-7028

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI — APRIL 25-28

Central States Numismatic Society's 57th Annual Convention, Bartle Hall Convention Center, 301 West 13th, Kansas City, MO 64105. Ralph Hardman 913/649-5633

SHAUMBERG, ILLINOIS — APRIL 28

ILNA Spring Show hosted by the Schaumburg Numismatic Society, Marriott Hotel, 50 N Martingale Road (Frontage Road to I-290), Schaumburg, IL. Jim Davis, P.O. Box 68246, Schaumburg, IL 60168. 708/934-1427

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA — JUNE 7-8

Indiana State Numismatic Association 38th Annual Coin Show & Convention, Hall C, Indiana Convention Center, 100 S. Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, IN. Jennifer Roessler, P.O. Box 20861, Indianapolis, IN 46220. 317/576-9001

RHINELANDER, WISCONSIN — JUNE 15-16

Northwoods Coin Club 15th Annual Coin Show, Nicolet Campus, LRC Building, Larry Marten, 3295 Hancock Lake Rd., Harshaw, WI 54529. 715/282-5636

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN — JUNE 28-30

MidAmerica Coin Convention, MECCA Convention Center, 500 W. Kilbourn Ave., Milwaukee, WI. Kevin Foley, P.O. Box 573, Milwaukee, WI 53201. 414/282-2407

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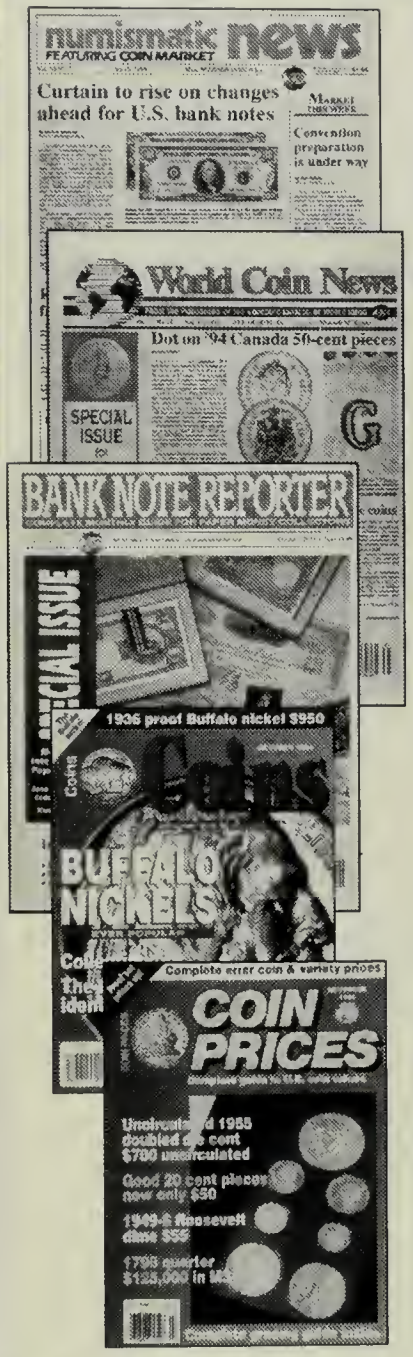

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